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Bixler, Arthur E.

February 10, 1975
Garrett Clipper

2-10-75

Services Are Held For Arthur E. Bixler, 63

Final rites were held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Arthur E. Bixler, 63, of 1309 West King street, a native and resident of Garrett all of his life. Thomas G. Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ, officiated and burial followed in Christian Union Cemetery.

The pallbearers were Charles Ley, Karl Sprandel, Jack Myers, Charles McBride, Kenneth Cutler and Deano Kares.

Mr. Bixler died of a stroke Friday at 6:45 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient since Jan. 17. He was a B.&O. carman.

Mr. Bixler was born April 13, 1911, a son of the late William A. and Anna (Hevel) Bixler. He was married at LaPorte on Sept. 29, 1933, to Violet A. Reeves. Surviving besides the widow are two daughters, Mrs. Thomas Wolpert, 705 South Franklin street, and Mrs. Kerry Ginder, Auburn; a son, Randy Bixler, 119½ South Franklin ~~street; two~~ grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Maurice Elsner, Auburn.

April 14, 1975
Garrett Clipper

Paul Bateman Dies Of Heart Attack While Playing Golf

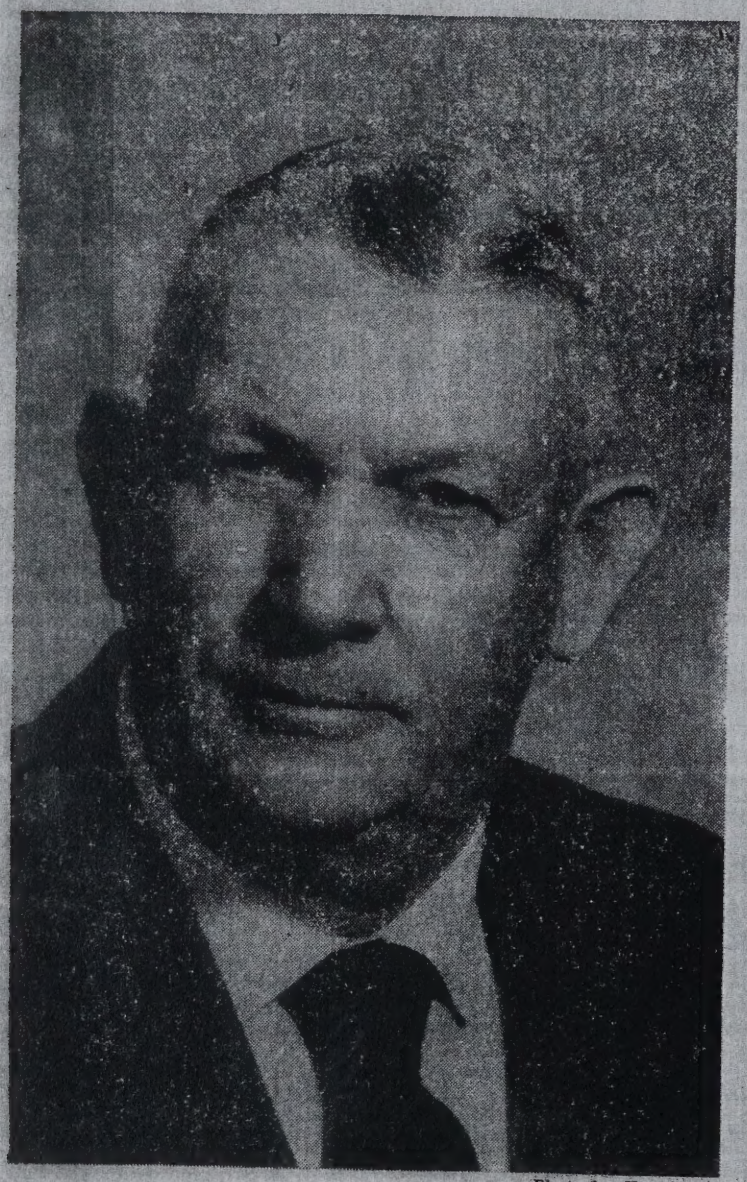

Photo by Ken Smith

PAUL BATEMAN

Paul J. Bateman, 69, of Auburn, former resident of the Garrett area for many years and one of the most widely known high school educators in the state of Indiana, died of a heart attack Sunday at 3:50 p.m. He had enjoyed exceptionally fine health most of his life until he was fatally stricken at the Greenhurst Country Club in Auburn.

Mr. Bateman was playing 18 holes of golf along with Keith Leggett, Ron Zimmerman, Rick Frary and Dwayne Williams, all of Auburn. He had just returned Saturday from Florida and many golfers had talked with him Sunday and inquired how he enjoyed the trip. He was walking up the 16th fairway when he suddenly collapsed. One of the men ran to the pro shop and an ambulance and rescue unit were summoned. Mr. Bateman was pronounced dead on arrival at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 7 p.m. Tuesday. The body will remain there until Thursday noon when it will be taken to the United Methodist Church where there will also be viewing until final rites at 1:30 p.m. Pastor Ronald Bowman will officiate.

Mr. Bateman was a member of the church, Star Lodge No. 225 F&AM, Retired Teachers Association, Purdue Alumni Association, Garrett Lions Club, Greenhurst Country Club, Garrett Country Club and Phi Kappa Tau College Fraternity.

Mr. Bateman was born July 12, 1905, in Fairfield Township, DeKalb County, a son of Harry C. and Mabel (Weidler) Bateman. The father was a farmer. Paul received his elementary education at the Hesse Cassel School in Fairfield Township and was graduated from Auburn High School in 1923. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture from Purdue University in 1928 and his Master's Degree in Education from Purdue in 1949. He held a principal's license and also had licenses to teach chemistry, biology, health and physical education.

Teaching Career

Mr. Bateman started his teaching career at Orland High School where he remained for three years. He was an instructor in vocational agriculture, biology, chemistry and coached baseball and basketball.

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He came to Garrett High School in 1931 as biology and agriculture teacher and as assistant coach in football, basketball and track. He was golf coach from 1955 until he retired in 1971.

When Cameron Parks was called into the Navy during World War II, Mr. Bateman also took over the duties of athletic director, although he was not officially appointed to the post until Tom Dean became coach. He held that position for 25 years.

Mr. Bateman was a well known athletic official. In basketball he officiated in 25 sectionals, 14 regionals, 10 semi-states and the state finals in 1948. He officiated high school football games for 30 years and also was a member of a group which officiated college games in Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. He also had been an official starter for many track meets in Northeastern Indiana.

Mr. Bateman had an outstanding record as a teacher, having had under his instruction an estimated 2,000 students in agriculture, 3,000 in biology, 3,000 4-H Club members and 1,200 Future Farmers of America members. In FFA work his students won many district and state awards, as did his 4H boys.

Mr. Bateman received many personal awards, the most outstanding being the naming of the big new GHS gym in his honor. His other awards include Honorary Hoosier Farmer Degree, Elgin watch for 30 years of service in vocational agriculture work, Award of Merit by the Indiana Vocational Association, an award for outstanding work by Purdue Agricultural Alumni, award of merit from the State 4-H Department for 40 years of service, award by the Indiana Athletic Directors for 25 years as an athletic director, a plaque from the Northeastern Idiana Athletic Association for working in a state tourney, Garrett Eagles award for his service to his community and a special award from the GHS Athletic department for 25 years of service.

Over the years he held many offices in numerous organizations.

Mr. Bateman was married to the former Hazel Harvey of Garrett. She retired from the teaching profession the same time that her husband did.

Surviving besides the widow are a daughter, Mrs. Randy (Paula) Friedel, Rt. 2, Waterloo; two grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Rhuea Latier, St. Clair, Wyo.

Blaker, David Wayne

July 7, 1975

Garrett Clipper

7-7-75

Heart Attack Fatal To David Blaker, 62

David Wayne Blaker, 62, a former well known Garrett resident, died Sunday night of a heart attack at his lake home on Rt. 2, Chetek, Wis. He had been afflicted with heart trouble and had previously suffered a heart attack.

The body is at the Burham Funeral Home at Chetek. Final rites will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Chetek United Methodist Church and burial will follow in Lake View Cemetery. Preferred memorials are a donation to the church building fund. Mr. Blaker was very active in the church and was its lay leader.

Mr. Blaker was born Jan. 26, 1913, at Butler, Ind., a son of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Blaker. Upon graduating from Butler High School he immediately became a U.S. Railway Postal clerk, assigned to B.&O. trains between Chicago and Pittsburgh. In 1967 when the mail was removed from B.&O. trains he was assigned to the Fort Wayne Postal Sectional Center. He lived in Garrett from 1940 until moving to Chetek in 1970, except from 1960 to 1967 when he lived in Chicago. He was a World War II navy veteran and retired from the postal service in July, 1970. He was also a well known piano player.

Mr. Blaker was married to the former Wilma G. Best of Frankfort, Ind. Surviving besides the wife are two sons, Harold W. Blaker, Lanom, Md., and Dennis Wayne Blaker, Auburn; one stepson, Donald Grove, Howell, Mich., a brother, Lawrence, Gary, Ind.; and eight grandchildren.

Mr. Blaker besides his church activities was a member of the Masons and Order of Eastern Star.

Bergner, Charles W.

July 14, 1975
Garrett Clipper

7-14-75

One Car Accident Injuries Fatal To Local Young Man

Charles W. Bergner, 23, of 215 South Hamsher street, a resident of Garrett since January, 1967, died Saturday at 10:33 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, of complications from injuries received in a one-car accident July 4 at 11:40 p.m. near Spencerville.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after noon today. Services will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Don F. Isenbarger officiating and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery. The Rosary will be recited Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Bergner was partially paralyzed after the car he was driving went off County Road 68, one-eight mile east of Spencerville and hit a telephone pole. Five other persons were in the vehicle, but only one, Randall Brown, 24, of 1115 West Quincy street was injured. He complained of a sore shoulder and side.

Bergner was born Jan. 22, 1952, in Oakland, Md., a son of Charles R. and Patricia (Jeffers) Bergner, with whom he resided. He had been working at Sowles Welding Service south of Garrett until being laid off.

Surviving besides the parents are three brothers, Robert M., 605 East King street and Gary W. and Mark D. at home; four sisters, Barbara A. Van Halst, Rome City, Brenda S., Kathey J. and Mary B., at home.

The young man was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Bloom, Edward J.

October 20, 1975
Garrett Clipper

10-20-75

Services Held For Edward J. Bloom, 58

Services were held this morning at St. Joseph Catholic Church for Edward Joseph Bloom, 58, of three miles north of Auburn. Father Donald Isenbarger officiated and burial followed in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. The Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Bloom was a native of Garrett, a son of the late Martin and Mary (Bapst) Bloom. He was married in Garrett in 1944 to Kathryn Pepple.

Mr. Bloom died Thursday at 9:30 p.m. after an EMS vehicle was called to transport him to DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had resided near Auburn for the last 27 years and was custodian at the Harrison School.

Surviving besides the widow are a daughter, Mary Bloom, at home; and two brothers, Lawrence, Mansfield, O., and John, Fort Wayne. Mr. Bloom was a member of St. Joseph Church and the Holy Name Society.

OCTOBER 20, 1975

Banter, Leah W.

October 27, 1975

Garrett Clipper

Final Rites Today For Mrs. Leah Banter, 61

Services for Mrs. Leah W. Banter, 61, of Huntertown will be at 2 p.m. today at the D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home in Fort Wayne. She died at 10 p.m. Thursday in Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Banter, daughter of the late Mabel Watts, resided in Garrett for several years and graduated from Garrett High School in 1932. Prior to her death she had been a secretary in the Fort Wayne law offices of Rothberg, Gallmeyer, Fruechtenicht & Logan.

Surviving are her husband, Robert; a daughter, Linda, at home; and two brothers, Charles Watts, Eaton, O., and Howard Watts of 110 North Union street, Garrett.

OCTOBER 27, 1975

Baker, Florence I.

March 4, 1976

Garrett Clipper

Services Here Friday For Florence Baker

Florence I. Baker, 75, of five miles southwest of Garrett, a lifetime resident of the area, died Tuesday at 10:15 p.m. in the Garrett Community Hospital where she had been a patient since Feb. 12. She had been in failing health for two years.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 1 p.m. today. Services will be held at the funeral home Friday at 1:30 p.m. with Sam Abbott of the Church of God, Dayton, O., officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Baker was born in Garrett on Nov. 9, 1900, a daughter of Samuel and Lilliam (Gump) McKinley. She married Harold Gerner and he died in 1927. She then married Scott Baker on Jan. 12, 1930, and he died March 21, 1962.

Surviving are two sons, Ralph Baker, Rt. 1, Garrett, Robert Gerner, Houston, Tex.; a daughter, Miss Betty Baker, Rt. 1, Garrett; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild; one brother, Ray McKinley, Syracuse; a half-brother, Ben Groscop, Crooked Lake; and a half-sister, Mrs. Charlton Vass, New Orleans.

Mrs. Baker was a member of the Church of God.

MARCH 4, 1976

May 13, 1976

Garrett Clipper

Head Injuries Fatal To Little Girl, 10

Teri Ann Bevilacqua 10, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salvadore and Faye (Bond) Bevilacqua, 1707 Woodview Drive, died Monday at 1:45 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, from severe head injuries suffered in a two-car crash Saturday at 2:55 p.m. near the Martin's Nursery on Highway 327 south of Garrett.

Teri's sister, Lori Lynn, 12, also suffered severe head injuries in the accident and she is listed in "poor" condition in the intensive care unit at Parkview.

The girls were passengers in an automobile being driven by their mother, who was northbound on the highway in the family's 1973 Ford station wagon. A motorist in front of Mrs. Bevilacqua came to a complete stop. Mrs. Bevilacqua swerved to the left to avoid a collison and then thinking she was going to go into the ditch, swerved to the right. The station wagon was struck broadside by a southbound car being driven by Robert C. Johnson, 51, Huntertown. He received chest and pelvic injuries and is a patient in Parkview.

Also riding in the station wagon were the Bevilacquas' son, David, 8, and Susan Getts, 10, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Getts of 1700 Woodview Drive. Fort Wayne newspapers continue to say they were injured but this is not true. After complete examination at Parkview they were released. The only injury was a bump on the knee sustained by Susan. Mrs. Bevilacqua was not injured.

Services for Teri were held this morning at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Donald F. Isenbarger officiating. Burial followed in Christian Union Cemetery. The students in St. Joseph School recited the Rosary at the McKee Funeral Home Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Teri was born April 14, 1966, in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, was a lifelong resident of Garrett and a third grade pupil at St. Joseph School. She was also a member of the church.

Surviving besides the parents are two brothers, David, 8, and Michael 11, and the sister, Lori, 12. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bond of 712 South Lee street, Mrs. Rose Bevilacqua, Buffalo, N.Y., and Mr. Bevilacqua of California.

MAY 13, 1976

Beber, Charles D. "Chick"

May 17, 1976
Garrett Clipper

5-17-76

Funeral Today For Charles 'Chick' Beber

Charles D. "Chick" Beber, 65, 212 South Britton street, died of a stroke at the Garrett Community Hospital Monday at 3:20 p.m. He was admitted at 1 p.m. He was a retired employe of Garrett Flexible Products.

Born May 3, 1911 in Garrett to LeRoy Beber and Bertha Dreher, he had been a lifetime resident of the city. He and Alice M. Alford were married Dec. 17, 1936 and she survives. He is also survived by one son, Walter, 914 South Peters street; three daughters, Mrs. Coy Neeley, 520 South Franklin street, Mrs. Sharon Cramer, 415 South Franklin street and Miss Mary A. Beber at home; three brothers, Eugene, 301 South Hamsher street, William, 319 South Johnson and LeRoy of Zion, Ill.; one sister, Mrs. Robert Burniston, Bluffton and 12 grandchildren.

He was a member of the Holy Name Society, the F.O. Eagles and the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Funeral services were held at the St. Joseph Catholic church at 10 a.m. today with Rev. Donald F. Isenbarger officiating. Burial followed at Christian Union Cemetery. The pallbearers were Wayne Culler, Donald and Leonard Steward, Kenneth Taylor, Robert Novy and Harris Hoeffel.

Rosary services were held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home which was in charge of arrangements.

Andrews, Dora

June 7, 1976

Garrett Clipper

Services Wednesday For Dora Andrews, 93

Mrs. Dora Andrews, 93, formerly of 1208 West Quincy street and a resident of Garrett for many years until moving in 1974 to live with her daughters in Ohio, died Sunday at 7 a.m. in the Middletown, O., hospital where she had been a patient four days. She had been in failing health for several years and complications caused her death.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where services will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Mrs. Andrews was born Jan. 29, 1883, in Alabama and married to William H. Andrews, who died April 20, 1957. Surviving are three sons, John, 1110 West Quincy street, Spugon and William, 1208 West Quincy street; three daughters, Mrs. Mishie Day and Mrs. Mable Myers, Middletown, O., and Mrs. Mattie Young, Dayton, O.; 15 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren; a brother, Booker Thompson, Chillicothe, O.; and two sisters, Mrs. Vassie Wilson, 115 North Peters street, and Mrs. Connie Chatmon, 118 North Ijams street.

JUNE 7, 1976

NORRIS, ORA L. September 8, 1976

Funeral Services For Ora Norris Saturday

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home for Ora L. Norris, 73, Rt. 1, Corunna, who died at the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. He had been ill for three months and complications were listed as the cause of death.

Born July 4, 1903 to William and Ellen Norris, he had been a lifetime resident of the Corunna area and was a farmer. He is survived by a son, Jay of 415 East King street, one daughter, Romona Conners (address unknown) and a step-son, Aubrey Treesh, Fort Wayne and one grandchild.

He was a member of the Corunna Methodist Church and Rev. Eugene Stolte will officiate at the services. Burial will follow at 16 Cemetery, Corunna.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Acevedo, Agustina Z.

September 13, 1976
Garrett Clipper

Premature Acevedo Infant Dies

Graveside funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Corunna Cemetery for Agustina Z. Acevedo, premature daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hector M. Acévedo of Rt. 1, Garrett. Agustina was born Thursday at 8:30 p.m., Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, and lived for 12½ hours.

Maternal grandparents are Edison Shippy of Corunna and Mrs. Eugene Wattier of Auburn. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Augustin Acevedo of Puerto Rico.

Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ officiated. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SEPTEMBER 13, 1976

MCPHETTERS, ORPHA M. October 10, 1976

Orpha McPheeters

Orpha M. McPheeters, 82, 414 N. Randolph St., Garrett, died Sunday at 3:50 p.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital, where she had been a patient one month. Mrs. McPheeters had been in failing health four months.

She was born Feb. 18, 1894, in Montpelier, Ohio, the daughter of Frank and Cynthia Brown.

She was married Dec. 31, 1912 to Cornelius G. McPheeters, who died in June of 1957.

Survivors include five sons, Jesse, LaMesa, Cal., Jack, Maurice and Gary, all of Garrett, and Danny, Fort Wayne; three daughters, Mrs. Harold Dirrim, Wabash, Mrs. Lucile Keves, Fremont, and Mildred McPheeters, at home; three brothers, Sherman Brown, Alliance, Ohio, Carl Brown, Akron, Ohio, and Leroy Brown, Canton, Ohio; 20 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Mrs. McPheeters was a member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, the Pythian Sisters, and the Rebekahs.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, the Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Tuesday.

The family requests memorials be given to the Garrett Community Hospital.

HERBOLSHEIMER, THEODORE R. October 21, 1976

Theodore Herbolsheimer

Theodore R. Herbolsheimer, 67, 1317 S. Jackson St., Auburn, died Thursday at 10:50 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill since April.

Mr. Herbolsheimer was retired from his work as owner of Ted's Shoe Repair, but worked part time at Allison's. He was born May 8, 1909 in Garrett and moved to Auburn in 1946. He was married April 27, 1929 in Auburn to Mildred Dunn, who survives.

Survivors in addition to his wife include one son, John C., Auburn, four grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Annabelle Young, Elkhart.

His funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Gerig-Bale Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. George Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, where Mr. Herbolsheimer was a member. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today and until the time of the funeral Saturday.

BHERNS, IVA E. October 24, 1976

Iva E. Bherns

GARRETT — Iva E. Bherns, 80, died Sunday at 3:30 a.m. in Garrett Community Hospital. Death was attributed to a stroke. She had been ill three years.

Mrs. Bherns was a lifelong resident of DeKalb County. She made her home at 1103 W. Quincy St., Garrett. She was born Feb. 16, 1896 to Josiah and Sarah (Stahl) Treesh. She was a retired employe of Creek Chub Bait Company.

She is survived by her husband, Forest H. Bherns, whom she married Nov. 28, 1934 in Auburn. Also surviving is a daughter, Sadie M. Little, Houston, Tex., two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Rebekah Lodge, Pythian Sisters and Grange 2404.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Tuesday. Grange services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, with Rebekah services at 7:30 and Pythian rites at 7:45.

MILLER, GEORGE A. October 27, 1976

George A. Miller

George A. Miller, 62, a native and lifelong resident of Garrett, died Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital where he had been a patient two days. Mr. Miller had been in failing health for several years.

He was born in Garrett June 15, 1913, the son of Oren and Mae Miller. For the past two years he was a resident of the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

He was a retired B&O Railroad employe and a bartender.

Survivors include three sons, Russell, Fort Wayne, Phillip, Auburn, and Tim, Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. Larry (Sheri) Baker, Holiday Lakes; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Young, Garrett, and Mrs. Dorothy Emerick, Phoenix, Ariz.; and 13 grandchildren.

Mr. Miller was a member of the Eagles Lodge and the First Baptist Church of Garrett.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at McKee Funeral Home, the Rev. John Hetherington, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Friday. An Eagles service will be held Friday at 8 p.m.

October 28, 1976

Garrett Clipper

Edmund B. Dreher

Edmund B. Dreher, 73, died today at 3:25 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient for one day. He had been ill with a heart condition for five years.

Mr. Dreher was born in Garrett Oct. 15, 1903, the son of Albert and Josephine Dreher.

He married Katharine Liss Feb. 3, 1951, and she survives.

Mr. Dreher was a pipefitter with the B&O Railroad. He retired in 1962.

He was a member of the Holy Name Society of St. Joseph Catholic Church, and belonged to the Garrett Eagles Lodge.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Rev. Donald Isenbarger officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. Friday. A rosary service will be conducted Friday at 7:30 p.m. by the Holy Name Society, and an Eagles memorial service will be held at 8:15 p.m. Friday.

Tula Rhodes

Tula Vern Rhodes, 90, died Thursday at 8:08 p.m. at the Kendallville Nursing Home, where she had resided for the past two years. She had been in failing health for several years.

Mrs. Rhodes was born Aug. 21, 1886, five miles south of Garrett, and lived in the area her entire life. She was the daughter of Bennett and Sarah (Knott) Hixson.

On Dec. 24, 1913, she married Theodore G. Rhodes in Auburn. He preceded her in death Sept. 9, 1967.

Several nieces and nephews survive.

Mrs. Rhodes was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett, the Rev. James W. Simmons, officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today.

HUNTER, LULU L.

November 9, 1976

Services Held Today For Lulu Hunter, 91

The mother of two Garrett men, Mrs. Lulu L. Hunter, 91, 215 South Peter street, died at 5 a.m. Tuesday at her daughter's home in Muncie.

She is the mother of Lyle Hunter, 609 South Randolph street, and John J. Hunter, 217 South Peters street. Her daughter is Mrs. William Sanders of Muncie.

She was born Feb. 19, 1885 in Holgate, O. and moved to Garrett in 1920. She was married to George Hunter in Auburn, in 1923 and he preceeded her in death by seven years to the day, having died Nov. 9, 1969. She is also survived by nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

The body is at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home where services will be conducted at 2 p.m. today with Rev. Ron Bowman of the Garrett United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

HAMLINE, MARY M. November 14, 1976

Mary Hamline, 76, dies in Florida

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. today at the Calvary Cemetery with Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of the St. Joseph Catholic Church officiating, for Mary M. Hamline, 76, who died at 10:15 a.m. Nov. 14 in South Pasadina, Fl.

Born June 25, 1900 in Garrett, she was married to Leo Hamline who preceeded her in death. She had been ill for some time and had been a patient at the Padadina Manor Nursing Home in Florida for two months.

She is survived by one brother in Walkerton and one nephew in Huntington,

Funeral services were conducted at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pinnelas Park, Fl. at 10 a.m. Saturday. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements in Garrett.

November 17, 1976

Garrett Clipper

Marguerite Fouch

Marguerite Fouch, 85, a home economics teacher at Garrett High School for 34 years, died Wednesday at 1:25 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been in failing health for several years, and had been a patient at the hospital for one month.

She was born July 24, 1891, in Brazil, Ind., the daughter of George and Josie (Cromwell) McKinley.

She moved to Garrett in 1923, and taught at Garrett High School until her retirement in 1957. Her late home in Garrett was at 519 S. Randolph St.

She was married in August of 1943 to Frank W. Fouch, who died in August of 1950.

Surviving is one stepson, Bernard Fouch, Forsyth, Mo.

Mrs. Fouch was a member of the Retired Teachers Association and the Harmony United Methodist Church in Harmony, Ind.

Funeral services will be Friday at 10 a.m. at the McKee Funeral Home, Rev. Ronald Bowman officiating. Burial will be in the Pell Cemetery, Brazil.

Friends may call at the funeral home tonight from 7-9 p.m.

Bessie Swalley

Bessie Swalley, 86, a longtime resident of Garrett, died Wednesday at 11:45 p.m. at the home of her daughter in Marion. Mrs. Swalley had been ill for about a year.

She was born Feb. 17, 1890, in Seneca, Ohio, the daughter of David and Elnora (Moore) Sponseller.

Mrs. Swalley had resided in Garrett from 1916 until 1967, when she moved to Marion.

She was the widow of Lloyd M. Swalley, who preceded her in death in January of this year.

Surviving are one son, Virgil, Charlotte, N.C.; one daughter, Mrs. Rowell (Hope) Weilert, Marion; one sister, Mrs. Hope Hosack, Fullerton, Cal.; two grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Swalley was a member of the Harmony Order of the Eastern Star in Garrett, the Garrett United Methodist Church, and the Mary-Martha Sunday School Class at her church.

Funeral services will be Sunday at McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. The Ronald Bowman officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Saturday. Order of Eastern Star Services will be held Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

WOODS INFANT November 21, 1976

Infant Woods

GARRETT — The premature infant child of Richard II and Pamela Woods died Sunday at 6:45 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. The Woods reside at 400 E. High St., Garrett.

Surviving in addition to the parents are one brother, Ritchie, at home; three grandparents, Mrs. Mildred Woods, St. Joe, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gobel, Garrett; and four great-grandparents, James Woods, Kendallville; Guy Singer, Auburn; Marie Snider, Garrett; and Goldie Gobel, Hicksville, Ohio.

Graveside services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Embrey Cemetery in Garrett. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

BOWMAR, GERALD J. November 27, 1976

Gerald J. Bowmar

GARRETT — Gerald J. Bowmar, 63, 605 S. Second St., died Saturday at 8:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was formerly an engineer on the B&O Railroad, retiring in 1969.

Mr. Bowmar was a lifelong resident of Garrett, where he was born Sept. 20, 1913 to Charles E. and Emma (Hiigli) Bowmar. His mother survives in Fort Wayne. He was married Dec. 17, 1940 in Avilla to Helen L. Hess, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Gerald (Jerry), of Garrett; two brothers, Charles W. and Lawrence, both of Garrett; and two sisters, Mrs. James Habig, Auburn; and Mrs. Merle Musselman, LaPorte.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Anthony Smith, pastor of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will be Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today. Memorials to the Cancer Society are preferred.

December 3, 1976

Garrett Clipper

Graveside rites held for Cleland baby

Graveside services were held at 3 p.m. Saturday at Christian Union Cemetery for Daniel Lee Cleland, three months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cleland of 609 East Dowling street, Kendallville. The baby was found dead in its crib at 5 p.m. Friday when the mother, the former Jeanette Higgins, returned home from work. The baby sitter had put the baby to bed at approximately 3 p.m.

Born Sept. 9 at Auburn, the baby is survived by the parents and two brothers, Sean Michael and Joseph Allen. In addition he is survived by the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Higgins, Garrett; the paternal grandparents, Katherine Cleland, Garrett; Donald Cleland, Kimmel. Also surviving are great-grandparents, Mrs. Walter Higgins, Lois Zoll, Garrett; George Zoll, Floral City, Fla.; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kern of Garrett.

Baidinger and Walter Funeral home was in charge of arrangements and Anthony Smith, pastor of the Garrett Zion Evangelical Luthern Church, officiated at the services.

Neva Jennings

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Newville United Methodist Church for Neva L. Jennings, 83, who was found dead Friday in her apartment at 220 South Ijams street.

A lifelong resident of rural Auburn, she had moved into the apartment recently and had appeared in good health. Born Feb. 9, 1893 in DeKalb County, she was married to Marion Jennings and he preceeded her in death by two years.

She is survived by one son, Kenneth Gaff, Fort Wayne; a daughter, Mrs. Maurice Myers of North of Randolph street extended and a step-son, Robert Jennings, Butler; five grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Preferred memorials are to the Crippled Children's Fund or to the Newville United Methodist church.

Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements and Rev. Philip Lutz, pastor of the Newville church, officiating. Burial will be in the Newville Cemetery.

WEIMER, ROBERT W.

December 4, 1976

Robert W. Weimer

One of two men who died in a fire in Fort Wayne Saturday was a native of Avilla who has surviving relatives in Garrett.

Robert W. Weimer, 44, died of burns and smoke inhalation in the fire at 618 W. Jefferson St., Fort Wayne, Saturday at 5:48 a.m.

Mr. Weimer was born Sept. 4, 1932, in Avilla, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Weimer. His mother, Mrs. Urban (Margaret) VanDerbosch, Avilla, still survives.

Also surviving are two brothers, Roger Weimer, Fort Wayne, and Ronald Weimer, Garrett; and two sisters, Mrs. Norman Hill, Deshler, Ohio, and Mrs. Gary Porter, Garrett.

Mr. Weimer was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett, the Rev. Ron Janssen officiating. Burial will be in the Lutheran Cemetery in Avilla.

Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday after 1 p.m.

HEILEMAN, DOROTHY

December 9, 1976

Dorothy Heileman

Dorothy Heileman, 49, 222 S. Grant St., died at 1:15 a.m. Thursday in McCray Memorial Hospital.

She was born Aug. 31, 1927, in Altona to Forrest and Ruby (Wolf) Snyder. On Sept. 21, 1947, she married Harold Heileman in Garrett. He survives.

A resident of Kendallville since 1950, Mrs. Heileman was a member of the Beacon Baptist Church.

Additional survivors include one son, William, at home; and one sister, Violet Boyd, Garrett.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Hite Funeral Home. Rev. Frank Owens will officiate.

Calling is after 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

COOK, FRED G.

December 10, 1976

GARRETT — Fred G. Cook, 94, Route 1, Garrett, died at 2:30 p.m. Friday at Sacred Heart Nursing Home, Avilla, from an apparent stroke. He had been a resident of the nursing home about one month.

He was born June 2, [illegible] to Edward and Mary Cook at Panama, NY. He married Zella Koester Aug. 16, 1926, in Fort Wayne.

He retired as yard conductor from the Pennsylvania Railroad at Fort Wayne in 1946. He was a member of the Holy Name Society, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, Pennsylvania Railroad Veterans and the United Transportation Union.

Surviviors include his wife; one step-daughter, Miss Marjorie Koester, Sacred Heart Nursing Home; one son, Paul D. Cook, Fort Wayne, one step-son, Richard J. Koester, Denver, Colo.; two step-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with Rev. Donald Isenbarger officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, south of Garrett.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Sacred Heart Nursing Home building fund. McKee Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

MAHS, THEODORE F. December 21, 1976

T. F. Mahs

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for Theodore F. Mahs, 83, 613 South Franklin street, who died at 8:20 a.m. Tuesday at the Garrett Community Hospital. A heart condition is listed as the cause of death. He had been a patient at the hospital since Dec. 12.

Born June 10, 1893 in Chicago to Gustav and Marie Mahs, he and Veva V. Fuller were married June 2, 1919 in Garrett. A retired engineer on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, he had been a resident of Garrett since 1943.

In addition to the widow, he is survived by one son, Tom F. Mahs of Ann Arbor, Mich.; two sisters, Mrs. Lena Fury, Boise, Idaho, and Mrs. Olga Trepanier, Oak Lawn, Ill.; two grandchildren and one great grandchild.

He was a member of the St. Marks Lutheran Church, the Masonic Lodge and the B of LE.

Masonic services were held Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home.

Rev. George W. Schuette, pastor of the St. Marks Lutheran Church, Auburn, will officiate and burial will follow in the Christian Union Cemetery.

Rugman, Keith A.

January 13, 1977
Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for Keith A. Rugman

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Dilgard-Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, for Keith A. Rugman, 41, who died Sunday at the Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, of natural causes. He had been a patient at the hospital just one day.

Born Feb. 19, 1935 At Auburn to Ralph and Belva Rugman, he had lived most of his life in the Auburn-Garrett area but had been a resident of the Fort Wayne area for the past few years. He was self-employed.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Belva Gradeless of Rt. 1, Butler; three daughters, Melinda, Mrs. Gwynn Yates, and Berniece of Auburn; six brothers, Joe and Robert of Auburn, Ralph and Bruce of Garrett, Ed Carnahan of Florida and Charles of St. Joe; four sisters, Mrs. Carson Moore, Mrs. Robert (Sharon) Plummer, Auburn, Mrs. Robert Dyer, Spencerville and Miss Dawn Rugman of Newville, and one grandchild.

He was a member of the Calvary Temple, Fort Wayne, and funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Paul Paino and Rev. A. Biggs of the Fort Wayne church. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

JANUARY 13, 1977

MOATS, GEORGIA MARIE January 14, 1977

Monday, January 17, 1977

Services today for Mrs. Forest Moats

Services will be held today at 1 p.m. for Georgia Marie Moats, 80, formerly of 213 South Walsh street, Garrett. Mrs. Moats was a resident of Golden Years Nursing Home, Fort Wayne. She died at 9:20 p.m. Friday after an illness of four years.

She was born March 25, 1896, in Defiance County, Ohio, to David and Rose Snyder and married Forest Moats May 27, 1916 at Adrian, Mich. He preceded her in death in October, 1973.

Surviving are a son, Jack Moats, Auburn; two daughter, Mrs. Jerome Steigmeyer, 516 East King street, and Mrs. Herbert Balthazar, South Hadley, Mass.; three brothers, Earl Snyder, Pioneer, Ohio, Ted Snyder and Ward Snyder, Toledo, Ohio, and one sister, Mrs. Royal Speiser, Ney, Ohio; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home with Tom Hensley, minister of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Moats was a member of The First Church of Christ.

CARTWRIGHT, OTA J. "HOOPS" January 15, 1977

Local businessman heart attack victim

1/15/77

Ota J. "Hoops" Cartwright, 69, 117 South Cowen street, died of a heart attack Saturday at 5 p.m. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Garrett Community Hospital. He owned and operated Cartwright Recreation Center in Garrett for 32 years.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 1 p.m. today. Elks Twilight services will be at 7 p.m. tonight. Final rites will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home with Thomas Hensley, minister of the First Church of Christ officiating. Military graveside services conducted by the American Legion and VFW will follow at Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Cartwright, a lifetime resident of Garrett, was born Aug. 5, 1907, a son of William and Mary Cartwright. He is survived by one brother, Otis, Arlington Heights, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Hill Enbody, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Stanley Link, Corpus Christi, Tx., three nephews including Robert Hammond, whom he resided with.

Mr. Cartwright was a member of the BPO Elks, F. O. Eagles, VFW and American Legion.

SHARP, ERMA

January 26, 1977

Former Garrett resident dies

1/26/77

Erma Sharp, 77, of Auburn, formerly of Garrett, died last Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient for one day.

Mrs. Sharp was born Sept. 23, 1899 in Garrett, the daughter of John and Abigail (Varner) Larkin. She was a resident of the area all her life.

On Aug. 25, 1920 she married Emmett Sharp, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Don, Auburn, and Alvin, Golden, Colo.; three daughters, Mrs. Louis (Waneta) Nelson, Auburn; Mrs. Ernest (Doris) Strock, Golden Lake and Sandra Sue Sharp, Auburn; one brother, Mark Larkin, South Milford; two sisters, Mrs. Edith Gephart, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Ida Fuller, Butler; 11 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Sharp was a member of the First Christian Church, the American Legion Auxiliary, of which she was past president, and the Royal Neighbor Lodge.

Services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church with Rev. Clarence Bangs officiating. Gerig-Bale Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements with burial in Roselawn Cemetery.

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RICKETTS, MERRITT B.

January 30, 1977

Merritt Ricketts, 59, dies Sunday

Merritt B. Ricketts, 59, 405 North Franklin street, died Sunday at 10:55 a.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital from complications. He had been in failing health for about one year and hospitalized since Jan. 12, 1977.

Mr. Ricketts moved to Garrett in 1952 from Huntsville, Ala. where he was born March 28, 1917, a son of Willie B. Vinson Ricketts and the late Harold Ricketts. He was employed by the City of Garrett in the street department since 1953.

Ricketts was married to Bonnie J. Roush on Feb. 18, 1961, and they have one daughter, Mrs. Greg (Diana) Campbell, Kendallville.

Surviving besides the wife, mother and daughter are four brothers, Henry and Luther of Huntsville; Benny, Garrett and Everett of Mosinee, Wisc.; two sisters, Kathleen Mills, Muncie and Mrs. Byron (Lillian) of Himmelheber, Louisville, Ky.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home, where friends may call after 1 p.m. Tuesday. Funeral services will be conducted at the funeral home Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. by Pastor Frank Owens, Beacon Baptist Church, Kendallville. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

GORDON, NELLE

February 3, 1977

Former resident dies in California

Relatives in Garrett have received word of the death of Mrs. Ransom (Nelle) Gordon of West Covina, Calif., a former Garrett resident. She died of a heart condition and complications Feb. 3. Services were held Feb. 7 at the Church of Our Heritage, with Forest Lawn Mortuary, West Covina, in charge of arrangements. Interment was at the Mausoleum of Golden West, Inglewood, Calif.

Mrs. Gordon was born Oct. 12, 1894 to Fred and Rose Schulthess. Her husband Ransom preceded her in death. He was a former Metropolitan Life Insurance agent. Surviving are two daughters, Barbara and Diane and a sister, Rena Thomas of Miami, Fla.

Mrs. Gordon was an aunt of Wilbur Byanski, Mrs. Martin Zuercher, Mrs. Ralph Greenwalt, Frank Byanski and Robert Byanski all of Garrett.

SIMON, JOHN A. "YIP" February 17, 1977

John 'Yip' Simon
Former Garrett Mayor Dies

2/17/77

GARRETT — Former Garrett mayor John A. 'Yip' Simon, 63, died Thursday at Saint Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis where he was admitted Feb. 7 for treatment for a heart condition.

Simon was elected mayor of Garrett in 1967 and was re-elected in 1971. He served from 1968 until 1975.

Other positions Simon held before he was elected mayor included managing the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles Auto License Branch, managing the Railway Express office in Garrett, and being former owner of Yip's Sporting Goods Store. He also held a position as a trainman on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Simon was a lifelong resident of the city and he made his late home at 218 W. King St. with his wife Mildred. He was affiliated with Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Garrett and the Romanian Orthodox Church.

The former mayor was also a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Elks Lodge.

Surviving Mr. Simon are his wife Mildred, two daughters, Mrs. Lynn Andrews, Colville, Wash., and Mrs. Ralph Rugman, Garrett, and one son, Andy J. Simon, Garrett.

Mr. Simon is also survived by two brothers, Isidore A. Simon, Garrett, and Nick Simon, San Bernadino, Calif.; and two sisters, Mrs. John Grama, San Bernadino, Calif., and Mrs. Florence Koch, Garrett. He had nine grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mr. Simon will be held at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett Monday at 1:30 p.m. Officiating at the service will be Assembly of God Pastor Gene Hammond and John Bugariu, pastor of the Romanian Orthodox Church, East Chicago. Burial will be at the Calvary Cemetery in Garrett.

A Saracusta service will be held at the funeral home at 7 p.m. Sunday.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Saturday.

February 18, 1977

Garrett Clipper

Charlotte Crawford dies of cancer

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the McKee Funeral Home for Charlotte L. Crawford, 24, New Haven, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Andrews, Garrett. She died Monday in Parkview Memorial Hospital after being ill for three years with cancer.

Born Aug. 18, 1952 in Garrett to Elmer and Jeanette Andrews Tinsley, she married Robert Crawford in 1972 and had lived in Fort Wayne since then. Mr. Crawford and their two sons, Bobby Dion and Gerald Wayne, survive. Other survivors include her parents; two brothers, Thomas DeWayne and Gino Dion Tinsley of New Haven; a sister, Mrs. Donald (Sharon) Hughes, Fort Wayne; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Andrews, Garrett; and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tinsley, Saginaw, Mich.

Rev. Roy Kruger, pastor of the Missionary Church of Auburn, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today.

Allan Ross

Allan Duane Ross, 25, 418 N. Riley St., Kendallville, died at 5:45 p.m. Friday at the Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis, after a one-month illness.

He was born April 25, 1951 at Garrett to Jim and Martha (Ley) Ross. He married Donna Wicker on July 22, 1972 at Kendallville.

Mr. Ross worked as a machinist at Warner Gear, Auburn. He lived at LaOtto prior to his move to Kendallville.

Surviving are his parents; his wife and one daughter, Michelle, at home; five sisters, Nancy Hippenhammer, Linda Anglin, both of Kendallville, Fayanne Ross and Rebecca Smith, both of Avilla, and Margaret Armagast, Germany; four brothers, John Ross, St. Joe, Kenny Ross, rural Kendallville, Joe Ross, Kendallville, and Phillip Ross, Avilla.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla, with Father Dennis Dennihan officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Calling began at 7 p.m. Sunday at Berhalter-Preston Mortuary, Avilla. Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today at the mortuary.

UNRUE, ALTA A. (WILEY)

February 19, 1977

Alta Unrue dies of complications

2/19/77

Alta A. (Wiley) Unrue, 83, a lifetime resident of this area, died of complications Saturday at 4:15 p.m. at the Kendallville Nursing Home. Prior to entering the nursing home one week ago, she had resided with her daughter, Mrs. James (Ruth) Griffin, 915 South Lee street, for three years.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 1 p.m. Tuesday. Services will be held at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday with Rev. Michael K. Roberts, pastor of the Nazerene Church officiating. Burial will follow in Embrey Cemetery.

Mrs. Unrue was born Sept. 25, 1893, in Putman County, Ohio, the daughter of Jacob and Anna (Elkins) Gump. She had worked at Creek Chub Bait Company, Garrett, for eight years. She was married Oct. 14, 1951 to Elbridge Unrue and he preceded her in death in September, 1967. She was previously married to James Wiley who died in 1938.

Surviving besides the daughter are three sons, Orville Wiley, Pleasant Lake; Howard and Ray Wiley, Garrett; two step-sons, Wilbur Unrue, Warsaw; Paul Unrue, South Bend; three step-daughters, Mrs. Irvin (Lulu) Kish, Mrs. Joe (Ruth) Dluzak and Mrs. James (Lois) Johnson, all of South Bend; one sister, Mrs. Orpha Freeman, Garrett; 14 grandchildren; 13 step-grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and 23 step-great-grandchildren. One daughter, Mrs. Vernon (Martha) Stimman preceded her in death in 1968.

Mrs. Unrue was a member of the Nazerene Church in Garrett.

TOOMAN, BELVA V.

February 21, 1977

Funeral today for Belva V. Tooman

Funeral services will be held at the First Baptist Church today at 1:30 p.m. for Belva V. Tooman, 61, Rt. 1, Garrett, who died Monday at 11:30 a.m. at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She died of cancer after an illness of one year. Rev. Robert Prinzing, pastor of the First Baptist Church will officiate with burial at the Christian Union Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born Nov. 6, 1915 in Miller City, Ohio, to John and Eva Brecht, she had been a resident of this area for 37 years. She and Earl W. Tooman were married April 1, 1935 in Auburn and he survives. They are the parents of two children; Charles of Escanaba, Mich., and Mrs. Ronald (Judith) Beeber of Arlington Heights, Ill.

Other survivors include two brothers; Paul Brecht, Continental, Oh., John Brecht, Decatur; two sisters, Mrs. Richard Freeman, North Manchester, Mrs. Maurice Walther, Silver Lake, and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Tooman had been a lunch room employe at Garrett High School and just recently was awarded a pin for 20 years of outstanding service.

She was a member of the Garrett OES, Ladies Auxiliary of UTU, the American School Food Services Association and the First Baptist Church of Garrett.

Preferred Memorials are to the Cancer Society or the Baptist Church building fund.

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DUDASH, NICK

Services held February 26,1977

Father of Robert Dudash dies at 91

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home for Nick Dudash, 91, father of Robert Dudash of 814 South Lee street. He had been a resident at Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, since 1974. He had been ill for three years and complications were listed as the cause of death.

Born April 14, 1885 in Hungary, he had lived most of his life in Chicago and was custodian of an apartment until he retired at the age of 75. He married Susie Kovacs in 1919 and she preceeded him in death Sept. 28, 1974.

His only known survivors are the son in Garrett and three grandchildren.

Rev. Robert Prinzing, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Garrett will officiate at the services and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery. Friends may call after 3 p.m. Friday.

A preferred memorial is to the Sacred Heart Building Fund in Avilla.

VANDERBOSCH, LOUIS J. March 1, 1977

Funeral Friday for Louis Vanderbosch

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at the St. Joseph Catholic church for Louis J. Vanderbosch, 66, who died Tuesday at the Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne. A heart condition is listed as the cause of death. Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of the St. Joseph Catholic church, will officiate and burial will be in St. Mary's cemetery, Avilla. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born Jan. 11, 1911 in Avilla to Henry and Susan (Walsh) Vanderbosch, he had been a resident of Garrett since 1930. He and Mildred C. Slusher were married in Kokomo on Sept. 7, 1929, and she survives. He was a conductor on the B. & O. railroad.

Other survivors include three sons; Henry, Garrett, Leonard, Spokane, Wa., and David, Garrett. Two other sons, James and Thomas preceeded him in death in 1941 and 1971. Two daughters also survive. They are Mrs. Jeannette Lloyd, Auburn, and Mrs. Victor (Ursula) Ley, Avilla. In addition there are five sisters, Mrs. Haleria Mezydlo, Avilla, Mrs. Romaine Hudelson, Kokomo, Mrs. Joseph Hruban, Chicago, Mrs. Bertha Brooks, and Mrs. Sam Leeson, Garrett and twenty-two grandchildren.

He was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic church, the Holy Name Society and the Garrett Eagles.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. today and Rosary and Eagles services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home at 7:30 and 8 p.m. respectively tonight.

MATTICE, CLARENCE L. March 4, 1977

Mattice funeral today at 1:30 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 today for Clarence L. Mattice, 63, 217 South Guilford street, who died at the Garrett Community Hospital Friday at 9:15 p.m. Complications is listed as the cause of death after a four-year illness.

Born Oct. 6, 1913, in Honor, Mich., he had lived in Garrett since 1951. He was married to Hazel B. Webb in Royal Oak, Mich., March 27, 1937, and she survives. Other survivors include a son, Gary, 617 East Keyser street; two daughters, Mrs. Alson (Carol) Frost, 401 South Franklin street, and Mrs. Randall (Ardith) Graves, of Rt. 1, Garrett; two sisters in Michigan and 11 grandchildren.

He was a member of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Fort Wayne. He worked in Garrett at the Midwestern Foundry and then at Garrett Tubular Products until becoming ill in 1973.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

March 11, 1977

Garrett Clipper

Don Zern,

Born Oct. 26, 1897, just south of Garrett to Henry and Emma (Batdorff) Zern, he moved to Garrett as a young man of 17. He and Martha Schlueter were married in 1921 at Hillsdale, Mich., and they have one daughter, Betty, who lives at home. Mrs. Zern preceeded him in death in 1966. Other survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Walter McDanel, 604 West King street, and Mrs. Ed Freeman, Rt. 1, Butler.

Funeral services will be held at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church at 2 p.m. today for former businessman and city councilman, Donald Zern, 79, 818 South Peters street, who died at 6 p.m. Friday. A lifelong resident of the Garrett area, he had been in failing health for several years and a heart attack is listed as the cause of death. The body is at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral home until noon today when it will be taken to the church for services. Rev. Tony Smith, pastor of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church will officiate and burial will follow in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

As a young man he was employed by the B&O Railroad for 14 years and Wells-Fargo and Railway Express for three years. He leased the Simco service station at the corner of King and Cowen streets (now the Shake Shoppe) and it became Zern's Service Station. He purchased the business from Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. in 1951 and retired Sept. 15, 1965 for a total period of 32 years of operating the service station. At the time of his retirement he sold the business to Charles Rhodehamel.

Mr. Zern was a volunteer fireman for 29 years and also served as fire chief for four years. He first ran for city councilman in 1955 and was elected as councilman-at-large. He served from January 1, 1956 until 1960. He was again elected in 1963 as councilman-at-large and re-elected in 1967.

He was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Garrett Lions Club and a former member of the Garrett Chamber of Commerce.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the church building fund.

RODEBAUGH, EUGENE C. March 19, 1977

Eugene Rodebaugh

GARRETT — Eugene C. Rodebaugh, 50, 315 W. Edgerton St., Garrett, died Saturday at 8:25 a.m. in Veterans Administration Hospital at Fort Wayne. Death was attributed to complications. He had been ill five years and hospitalized since last Monday.

Mr. Rodebaugh was an employe of Newnam Foundry in Kendallville. He was also a World War II Navy veteran. He was a lifelong resident of Garrett, where he was born July 2, 1926 to Harold and Laura Rodebaugh. His mother survives in Auburn.

He is also survived by his wife, the former Marma Speer, whom he married Dec. 9, 1943 in Garrett.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. David (Mary) Cochran, Auburn; and Mrs. Haskel (Helen) Sheperd, Waterloo; two sisters, Mrs. Richard (Carolyn) Close, Auburn; and Mrs. Bud (Susan) DeLong, Auburn; and four grandchildren. One sister, Cleota McKean of Auburn, preceded him in death in 1974.

Mr. Rodebaugh was a member of VFW Post 1892 in Garrett and the First Church of Christ in Garrett.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in McKee Funeral Home at Garrett. Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery with military graveside services by the Garrett VFW.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today.

DEPEW, EDWARD N. March 20, 1977

Former resident dies of cancer

Edward N. DePew, 61, Rt. 1, Waterloo, died Sunday at 4:10 p.m at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. He had been a patient since March 17 and cancer was the cause of death.

Mr. DePew had been a toolmaker at Dana Corporation, Auburn, retiring in 1971. He had been ill for three months.

Mr. DePew was born Jan. 17, 1916 in Garrett, the son of the late Newton DePew and Caroline Kelham. He was married at St. Joe, April 30, 1938 to Doris Refner, who survives.

Other survivors besides the wife are: three sons, Michael and Steven of Auburn and Thomas at home. One son preceeded him in death, David, 1956; one brother, Art DePew, Garrett; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge and Garrett Eagles.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home, where friends may call after 1 p.m., Tuesday. Twilight services will be held by the Masonic Lodge at 7:30 p.m. and by the Eagles at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Funeral services will be held at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday with Pastor Ronald Bowman, of the Garrett United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in the Embrey Cemetery.

March 23, 1977

Garrett Clipper

Josephine Caprino

GARRETT — Josephine A. Caprino, 53, wife of Garrett Foodland owner Thomas A. Caprino, died Wednesday at 10:33 p.m. in Garrett Community Hospital. She had been ill with cancer for seven years and was in the hospital since Monday.

Mrs. Caprino made her home at 2001 Shady Lane, and had been a Garrett resident for 12 years. She was associated in business with her husband.

She was born Aug. 20, 1923 in Marion, Ohio to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bruno, both of whom survive in Marion. She married Thomas Caprino on June 27, 1947 in Marion.

Other survivors include one son, Frank C., at home; two daughters, Chris, at home, and Marianne Caprino, Coldwater, Mich.; three brothers, Salvadore, Frank, Jr., and Joseph, all of Marion, Ohio; and one sister, Mrs. Anthony (Vivian) Flesch, Columbus, Ohio.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Rosary Society, the Daughters of Isabella, Business and Professional Women, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, with Rev. Donald Isenbarger officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Friday at McKee Funeral Home, where there will be Rosary and Daughters of Isabella services at 7:30 p.m. Friday. Memorials to Garrett Community Hospital are preferred.

Nathan P. Panning

GARRETT — Nathan P. Panning, 22, was identified today as the victim of a self-inflicted gunshot wound on Wednesday morning in Garrett. He died at 7:35 a.m. Wednesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Panning made his home at 118½ S. Randolph St. and was a lifetime resident of Garrett. He was employed at Bauman-Harnish Rubber and Plastics Inc., in Garrett.

He was born July 19, 1954 in Garrett to Jack and Nancy Panning, who survive. He was married to the former Julie Hervey, who also survives, on Aug. 16, 1975 in Garrett.

Other survivors include a daughter, Amanda Ruth Panning, at home; a brother, Todd A., at his parents' home; a stepbrother, Lynn Grogg, Garrett; a sister, Mrs. John (Tonia) Baker, Garrett; a maternal grandmother, Mrs. Henry Moses, Garrett; and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Panning, Garrett.

His funeral will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in McKee Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. Ronald Bowman, pastor of Garrett United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Friday.

HAYNES, CLEATUS C. March 24, 1977

Cleatus Haynes

GARRETT — Mrs. Cleatus C. Haynes, 58, died of cancer Thursday at 1:35 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill for one year and was admitted to the hospital Thursday.

Mrs. Haynes was born in Garrett on April 4, 1918 to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Thompson. She married Morris E. Haynes in Garrett on Jan. 12, 1935. Mr. Haynes survives. She was formerly employed by A&P stores in Garrett and Auburn. She was a member of the First Church of Christ.

Also surviving Mrs. Haynes are one son, Robert, Churubusco; a daughter, Sharilyn Wallace, Auburn; and a sister, Mrs. Sam (Dolene) Palmer, Cape Coral, Fla. Mrs. Haynes had four grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Haynes will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Thomas Hensley of the First Church of Christ will officiate at the service. Burial will be at the Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday.

FRONFELTER, BERNARD V. March 25, 1977

Bernard Fronfelter

GARRETT — Bernard V. Fronfelter, 62, died Friday at 5:45 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital. The cause of death was a heart attack.

Mr. Fronfelter was born in Garrett on Jan. 24, 1915. He made his late home at 2101 Garden Park Dr., Fort Wayne, and was a television technician for the Sound Company, Fort Wayne.

On July 17, 1954 Mr. Fronfelter was married in South Bend to Edna F. Schuster. Mrs. Fronfelter died in 1976.

Surviving Mr. Fronfelter is his mother, Lottie Fronfelter, Garrett.

Mr. Fronfelter was a member of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, and funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Monday at 1:30 p.m., Rev. Edwin A. Nerger officiating. Burial will be at the Fairfield Cemetery in Corunna.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 5 p.m. Sunday.

Fri., March 25, 1977

SWARTOUT, CHARLES H. April 3, 1977

Former Garrett man dies Sunday

Services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. for Charles H. Swartout, 68, 310 South Main street, Auburn, who died Sunday afternoon in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was a graduate of Garrett High School and a former resident here. His wife is the former Mildred Alley and she survives. Gerig-Bale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements where friends may call after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

TRAINER, EDNA E. April 6, 1977

Mrs. Edna Trainer services Saturday

Mrs. Edna E. Trainer, 80, formerly of 217 West Houston street, died Wednesday at 5:30 a.m. at Ridgewood Nursing Home, Springfield, Ohio, after an illness of four years.

The body is at the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home where friends may call between 7 and 9 p.m. Friday. Services will be held at the funeral home Saturday at 11 a.m. with Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church officiating and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Trainer was born Sept. 16, 1896, a daughter of Frank and Bertha Kemp. She was married July 31, 1914, at St. James Chapel, Howe Military School, Howe, Ind., to Clarence E. Trainer. He preceded her in death in 1962.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Jane) Horton, Springfield, Ohio; one brother, Wayne Kemp, Menahga, Minn. and four grandchildren.

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COBLER, FLORENCE V. CHILDERS

April 19, 1977

City Church Organist Florence Cobler Dies

Florence V. Childers Cobler, 80, of 4921 Smith St., a church organist many years and a former employe of Sears Roebuck & Co., died Tuesday in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Cobler was organist for 20 years at Forest Park United Methodist Church and for many years at Third Presbyterian Church.

A native of Garrett, she was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church and its Ruth Circle.

Surviving are her husband, Oakley; a daughter, Mrs. Lila Woodworth, Indianapolis, and a son, Jack Childers, Hinsdale, Ill.

Services were held at 2 p.m. today in D.O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Preferred memorials are gifts to the Garrett Community Hospital Living Memorial Fund.

LEWELLYN, ARTHUR C.

April 20, 1977

Arthur Lewellyn, 69, dies of cancer

Arthur C. Lewellyn, 69, 409 South Lee street, died Wednesday at 10:30 p.m. in the Garrett Community Hospital after an illness of four months. Cancer was the cause of death.

He was born Sept. 28, 1907, at North Vernon and married the former Lois E. Withrow in March, 1930. Mr. Lewellyn was a retired B & O Railroad employe.

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 1:30 p.m. with Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery. Calling will be after 1 p.m. Friday. The Eagles lodge will hold services at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Surviving besides the wife are two sons, Richard and Ronald, both of Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. James (Mary Ann) Crouch, Fort Wayne; one brother, Howard, Churubusco; two sisters, Mrs. Jack (Dorothy) VanBrooker, Cayuga, N. Y., and Mrs. Evelyn Smith, Garrett and four grandchildren.

Mr. Lewellyn was a member of the First Church of Christ and F. O. Eagles.

SIMCOX, HARRY G. April 29, 1977

Harry Simcox, 88, dies, services today

Harry G. Simcox, 88, of 219 South Britton street, a resident of Garrett since 1910, died Friday at 6:45 p.m. of cancer in the Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where he had been a patient one month. He had been in failing health for six months.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today. Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ, will officiate and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Simcox was born June 20, 1888, at Butler, a son of Charles and Jennie (Seaman) Simcox. He was married to Pearl Workman and she preceded him in death in 1947. He married Mentor C. O'Brien April 30, 1949, at the Methodist Church in Garrett, and she survives. Mr. Simcox was a retired B & O Railroad Passenger conductor. He retired in 1954.

Surviving besides the wife are on daughter, Mrs. Charles (Kathryn) Ice, Rt. 3, Auburn; one son, Charles F. Simcox, Garrett; one step-son, Patrick O'Brien, Fort Wayne; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Simcox was a member of the First Church of Christ, Mason, Scottish Rite, Mizpah Shrine, Elks, and a charter member of the Eagles. Memorial services were held Sunday at 7:30 p.m. by the Garrett Masonic Lodge.

BAKER, REED (BEN) May 3, 1977

Funeral today for Reed (Ben) Baker

Reed (Ben) Baker, 59, Rt. 1, Garrett, died at Veterans Hospital, Marion, Tuesday after being in failing health several years. Funeral services were held at the McKee Funeral Home at 10:30 a.m. today with Ronald Bowman, Pastor of the United Methodist Church officiating. Burial followed in Christian Union Cemetery.

Born July 23, 1917, in Altona to Josh and Ruth (Wood) Baker, he had been a long time resident of this area. He is survived by two daughters, Cindy Weiderman, Sturgis, Mich., and Linda Hollingworth, Warsaw; two sisters, Mrs. Harold Owen, Rt. 1, Garrett and Mrs. John Zawadske, Kendallville, and eight grandchildren.

Mr. Baker was a World War II veteran and a brakeman on the B. & O. Railroad. The Garrett American Legion Post conducted military graveside rites.

MCKINLEY, RAYMOND C. May 4, 1977

Former Garrett resident dies

Funeral services were held Saturday morning in Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret Funeral Home in Goshen for a native of Garrett, Raymond C. McKinley, 79, of Syracuse. Burial was in Solomon Creek Cemetery. Mr. McKinley died last Wednesday at the Goshen General Hospital where he had been admitted Monday. He had been in failing health for the past year.

He married Olva LaFern Brown Feb. 24, 1940. She survives and also a daughter, six sons, a half-brother, 18 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

Mr. McKinley was a retired foreman at Bendix Corp., and had worked for the City of Syracuse.

GAULT, EDNA K. May 10, 1977

Mrs. Harry Gault dies, funeral set

Mrs. Edna K. Gault, 82, of 116 East Keyser street, a resident of this area for many years, died Tuesday at 8:20 p.m. in the Whitley County Hospital where she had been a patient one day. She had been in failing health for one and one-half years.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 1 p.m. today. Services will be held at the funeral home Friday at 1:30 p.m. with Pastor Ronald Bowman of the United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Gault was born Nov. 13, 1894, at St. Louis, Mo., a daughter of Edward and Maria Anna (Beck) Roth. She was married at St. Louis on Dec. 1, 1919, to Harry Gault and he died Oct. 19, 1959.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Leonard (Eileen) Hoffert, Rt. 1, Larwill; one son, John Gault, Wayne, Penn.; two brothers, Edward Roth, St. Louis, and Walter Roth, Troy, Mo.; one sister, Mrs. Tom Katsanos, San Francisco, and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Gault was a member of the United Methodist Church, Eastern Star and Legion Auxiliary.

ABRAM, MABEL O. MAY 11, 1977

Mabel Abram, 84, dies Wednesday

Funeral services will be held Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Mabel O. Abram, 84, who died at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday in the Hicksville Community Hospital, Hicksville, Ohio. She had been in failing health for four months with a heart condition and was a patient in the hospital one day.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, will conduct the funeral services and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Abram was born Oct. 17, 1892, at Auburn, a daughter of Clyde and Mary (Brunkhart) Oberlin. She married Frank Abram in February, 1909, in Auburn. He died in 1947. She was the co-owner of Abram, Inc. until 1973.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Betty Reese, 611 East King street, and Mrs. Mary Lou McPheeters, 412 East Keyser street; one sister, Mrs. Myrtle Binnie, Turtle Creek North Nursing Home, Fort Wayne; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the United Presbyterian Church, Order of Eastern Star, Emblem Club of the Elks, Eagles Auxiliary and Business and Professional Women's Club.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. today. The family requests memorials be given to the Cancer Fund, Garrett Community Hospital or the Presbyterian Church.

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COOK, ZELLA M.

MAY 12, 1977

Funeral today for Zella M. Cook

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. this morning at the St. Joseph Catholic church for Zella M. Cook, 86, lifetime DeKalb County resident. She died at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient at St. Joseph since April 26.

A resident near Garrett since 1947, she had lived at Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, since 1976. She was born July 5, 1890 in DeKalb County to John and Emma Frederick. She and Fred G. Cook were married Sept. 16, 1926 in Fort Wayne and he preceeded her in death Dec. 10, 1976.

Survivors include one daughter, Miss Marjorie Koester, also Sacred Heart Home; one son, Richard J. Koester, Alameda, Calif.; one step-son, Paul D. Cook, Fort Wayne; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the St. Joseph church and the Rosary Society.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements and Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of St. Joseph church officiated at the services. Burial followed in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

May 13, 1977

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Nephew of Albert Lumm dies

Funeral arrangements were incomplete as of press time for Albert J. Alan, 61, nephew of Albert Lumm of 115 South Guilford street, who died Friday in California.

A resident of Glendale, Calif., for the past 14 years, he was born in 1916 and moved to California several years ago. He was married and the widow survives.

The body is being brought back to Garrett where McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Services today for Albert Alan, 61

The Garrett American Legion Post 178 will conduct graveside funeral services at 1:30 p.m. this afternoon for Albert J. Alan, 61, a nephew of Albert Lumm of 115 South Guilford street, who died last Friday at Glendale, Calif.

Mr. Alan, born Feb. 13, 1916, at Gary, was a resident of Glendale, Calif., for the past 14 years. His wife, Jean, survives.

McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, with burial in Christian Union Cemetery.

Funeral today for Julia L. Groscop

Julia L. Groscop, 82, a former nurse and public health officer, died at 6 a.m. Friday at the Garrett Community Hospital. Complications were listed as the cause of death.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. this morning at the McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church officiating. Cremation will follow the services.

She was born Jan. 8, 1895, in Garrett, the daughter of Frederick J. and Wilhelmina (Stoehr) Groscop and was a resident of Garrett all her life except the period of time when she was the Red Cross representative covering ten states. Her last employment was a public health nurse at Philadelphia. She was a public health nurse in Detroit and was the first public health nurse in DeKalb County. In 1926 she became the Red Cross representative and retired in 1951.

Miss Groscop was a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Nursing and Columbia University in New York.

She is survived by a sister, Berniece Allman, Naperville, Ill., and a brother, Arthur Groscop, Birmingham, Mich.

FECHNER, MARIE L.

MAY 17, 1977

Rites Friday for Marie Fechner

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday at the St. Joseph Catholic church with Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of the church officiating, for Marie L. Fechner, 81, widow of Otto Fechner, who died at 10:55 p.m. Tuesday at the McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. She had been ill for several years and complications were listed as the cause of death.

Born Sept. 2, 1895 in Monterey, Ind., to Charles and Amelia (Roy) Fox she and Otto Fechner were married in 1916. He preceeded her in death in 1976.

Survivors include one son, Donald, Fort Wayne; four daughters, Mrs. Mike Hoop, Port Charlotte, Fla.; Mrs. Carl Litzenberg, Payne, O.; Mrs. Leonard Spallone, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Don Treesh, 1014 East Warfield; a brother, Al Fox, Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Ed Bossman, Waterbury, Conn.; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Emblem Club of the BPO Elks, Daughters of Isabella, the Rosary Society and the St. Joseph Catholic church.

Calling by friends is after 1 p.m. Thursday and Rosary will be recited at 7:45 p.m. Thursday. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

LEACH, MELVIN E. MAY 25, 1977

Melvin Leach, 51, dies Wednesday

Melvin E. Leach, 51, of 111 East High street, a resident of Garrett for 11 years, died Wednesday at 1:25 p.m. of a heart condition in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had suffered a heart attack while at work and was taken to the hospital where he died. He was employed by Cooper Industrial Products, Auburn, as a fork lift operator.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 1 p.m. Friday. Services will be held at the funeral home Saturday at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Ronald Bowman of the United Methodist Church officiating. Military graveside services will be conducted by the American Legion at the Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Leach was born Aug. 2, 1925, at Arcadia, Neb., a son of the late Andrew W. Leach and Mrs. Erma Eves, who lives at Brownsville, Ore. He was married at Fort Benning, Ga., on Nov. 12, 1954, to Freda E. Leitch and she survives.

Other survivors in addition to the mother and wife are two sons, Michael and Ernest, at home; a daughter, Cynthia, at home and three brothers, Harry, Mission, S.D.; Claris, Colo; and Ernest, Mullen, Neb.

Mr. Leach was a member of the Garrett American Legion Post.

CALDWELL, ROBERT (CURLY) JUNE 7, 1977

Heart attack fatal to Robert Caldwell

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. for Robert "Curly" Caldwell, well-known retired mint farmer of near Laotto who died of a sudden heart attack Tuesday at 9:28 p.m. He suffered the heart attack at his home on north Walsh street and was pronouced dead on arrival at the Garrett Community Hospital.

Born Oct. 18, 1909 in LaGrange, he had been a farmer most of his life and specialized in the growing of mint. He and Florence Birge were married Oct. 2, 1976 and she survives. Other survivors include one stepson, Michael Birge, Fort Wayne; two step-daughters, Mrs. James Justice, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Jerry Harter, Pasedena, Calif.; two brothers, Willard and Dale, both of Kendallville; three sisters, Mrs. Winifred Kline, Kendallville; Miss Pauline Caldwell, Kendallville; and Mrs. Donald Field, Newport Beach, Calif.; and seven step-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Huntertown Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite and Mizpah Shrine of Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Paul E. Keck, pastor of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Laotto. Masonic services will be held by the Huntertown lodge tonight at 8 p.m. Calling is after 1 p.m. today.

June 13, 1977

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Funeral rites for Madoline Guinn

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Madoline K. Guinn, 63, of 405 North Randolph street, who died Monday at 10:45 a.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital where she had been a patient just one day. Complications is listed as the cause of death. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, Garrett, conducted the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Born Aug. 12, 1913 in Garrett, she had been a resident of the community all of her life. She and Charles Guinn Jr. were married Dec. 15, 1968 and he survives. Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Charles (Betty) Green of Huntertown; two brothers, Earl Hart Hufferman, 510 North Lee street and George Hufferman, 405 North Randolph street; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside rites for stillborn baby

Graveside services were held at Christian Union Cemetery at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday for the infant daughter of Gary A. and Karen Vice, Rt. 1, Garrett. The baby was stillborn at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, at 4 p.m. Monday.

Other survivors include a sister, Janelle; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Vice, 508 North Randolph street; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Freeze, Rt. 1, Garrett; and the great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey McKibben, Rt. 1, Fremont.

Thomas Hensely, pastor of the First Church of Christ, officiated and McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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COOK, EARL E. (COOKIE)

JUNE 22, 1977

Funeral Friday for Earl "Cookie" Cook

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the McKee Funeral Home for well known Garrett resident Earl E. (Cookie) Cook Jr., 42, who died at 4 a.m. Wednesday at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital of cancer. He had been a patient at the hospital since June 11.

Born Jan. 2, 1935 in Butler to Earl Cook and Minnie (Peters) Kightlinger, he had lived in Garrett nearly all of his life. Survivors in addition to his mother are, a brother, David of Rt. 3, Howe; three sisters, Mrs. Dallas Bolander, Kokomo; Mrs. Robert Souers, Auburn; and Mrs. Donald Dague, Fort Wayne.

He was a member of the Garrett Eagles lodge.

Services will be conducted by Rev. Wayne E. Smith, pastor of the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Calling is after 1 p.m. today.

WATTIER, KENNETH F. JUNE 23, 1977

Funeral Sunday for Kenneth F. Wattier

Funeral services were held at the McKee Funeral Home Sunday at 1:30 p.m. for Kenneth F. Wattier, former professional baseball player for the Cincinnati Reds and a scout for the New York Yankee system. He died at 2:50 p.m. Thursday at the home of his son, Gene Wattier of Auburn. Cancer is listed as the cause of death and he had been ill for two months.

Born May 16, 1906 in Garrett to John and Bessie (Hall) Wattier, he had lived in Fort Wayne for many years and was a 25 year veteran of service at International Harvester retiring in 1968.

He and Imogene Tarney were married and are the parents of two sons, Gene of Auburn, and William of Angola. Mrs. Wattier preceeded him in death in 1949. Other survivors include nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Summit City Masonic Lodge, Fort Wayne and the Baseball Hall of Fame, Fort Wayne. The body was on view at Mongovan and Son Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, from 3-5 and 7-9 Friday and was then brought to the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 1 p.m.

Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ officiated at the services and burial followed in Christian Union Cemetery.

KESSLER, JOHN JUNE 27, 1977

Services Wednesday for John Kessler

Funeral services were held at the St. Joseph Catholic church at 10 a.m. Wednesday for John Kessler, 76, a 25-year resident of 1401 West King street, who died at 1:15 p.m. Monday at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital after being in failing health for several years.

Born July 9, 1900 in Miller City, O. to Joseph and Elizabeth (Richtime) Kessler, he was a retired employe of Warner Gear, Auburn. He and Leona J. Adams were married Feb. 12, 1952 and she survives. Other survivors include two sons, Willard, Angola; Arthur, Rt. 1, Corunna; one daughter, Joan Hall, Buena Park, Calif., nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Holy Name Society, the Moose Lodge, Auburn, and the F. O. Eagles, Garrett.

Rev. Donald Isenbarger officiated at the services and burial was in Calvary Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

REED, MARY B.

July 3, 1977

Services today for Mary B. Reed

Graveside services are being held today at Cedar Chapel Cemeter at 10:30 a.m. for Mary B. Reed, 73, Fort Wayne, a former long time resident of Garrett. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church officiated. She died at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Sunday at 3:30 p.m. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

A native of Kalkaska, County, Michigan, Mrs. Reed was the daughter of Charles and Nettie (Grogg) Buck and the widow of James P. Reed, who died in 1937. She was a retired employe of General Electric Company in Fort Wayne, where she worked from 1942 until 1968.

Mrs. Reed is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Darrell (M. Jane) Duvall, New haven, and Mrs. Charles (Marie) Hegan, Valparaiso; one brother, Clarence Buck, Fort Wayne, and one grandchild.

SHORT, MARGARET M. (PEGGY) July 14, 1977

Peggy Short dies of heart attack

Margaret M. "Peggy" Short, 54, died of a heart attack in her sleep sometime Thursday at her home at 109½ East King street. In failing health for the past two months she had returned to her home July 5 from Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she was a patient for four weeks.

An office employe of the Garrett Telephone Company, she was born July 1, 1923 in Garrett to John and Mary Reynolds and had lived here all of her life. She was married to Lester M. Short and she is the mother of two sons: James, Houston, Tex.; Steve, 413 South Harrison street; and one daughter, Mrs. Don (Donna) Morris, Claypool. In addition, she is survived by five grandchildren.

Mrs. Short was a member of the Elks Emblem Club, the American Legion Auxiliary and St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett.

Funeral services were conducted at the church Saturday morning at 10 a.m. with Rev. Donald Isenbarger officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Rosary services were held at the funeral home at 8 p.m. Friday.

Preferred memorials are to the Garrett Community Hospital.

The pallbearers were Dale Walters, Vernie Esselburn, Robert Isenbarger, Charles Clement, Ernest Yoder and Kenneth Kammerer.

KOESTER, MARJORIE M.

July 15, 1977

Services set for Marjorie Koester

Funeral mass will be held at 7 p.m. this evening at the St. Joseph Catholic Church for Marjorie M. Koester, 63, who died at 7:25 p.m. Friday in St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been in failing health with cancer for several years.

She will lie in state at 6 p.m. at the church where friends may call and Rosary Society will hold services at 6:30 p.m. Rev. Donald F. Isenbarger will conduct the funeral mass. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Born Nov. 15, 1913, in Fort Wayne to John and Zella (Fredrick) Koester, she was formerly a resident of Rt. 1, Garrett before entering the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, in 1976. Miss Koester was a retired registered nurse at St. Joseph Hospital.

She is survived by one brother Richard J. Koester, Alameda, Calif., and one step-brother, Paul D. Cook, Fort Wayne.

Miss Koester was a member of the Rosary Society at St. Joseph Church.

McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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THOMAS, EVAN A.

(July 18 ?) 1977

Services pending for Evan Thomas

Funeral services are pending at the E. Harper and Son Funeral Home, New Haven, for a former Garrett resident, Evan A. Thomas, 57, who died at the Hines VA hospital in Chicago. He had been a patient there for two weeks.

Mr. Thomas, a native of New Haven, and an employe of Commercial Warehouse Cartage Inc., is survived by his wife, Alice; a daughter, Mrs. Patricia Messer, Garrett; two sons, three stepdaughters, his father, four brothers and three sisters.

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Rex Johnson Sr. dies at age 47

Rex A. Johnson Sr., 47, Rt. 3, Auburn, a resident of this area for seven years, died in Las Vagas, Nev., Tuesday at approximately 4:42 p.m. He had been in failing health for two years.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 3 p.m. Friday. Services will be held at the funeral home Saturday at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will follow in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson was born June 7, 1930, at Indianapolis, a son of Rex A. and Louise (Sturgon) Johnson. He was married at Indianapolis on July 18, 1953, to Jean Noble, who survives. He owned and operated Johnson Mobile Home Sales, Fort Wayne.

Surviving in addition to the wife are one son, Rex A. Johnson III, Indianapolis, and one daughter, Miss Tracey Johnson, at home.

Funeral set for Charlie E. Roush

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. for Charlie E. Roush, 74, retired farmer of this area. He died at the Souder Health Center, Auburn, at 8:57 p.m. Tuesday after being a patient there since June 25.

Born June 24, 1903 in Fairfield Township, DeKalb County, he had lived in Garrett since 1957 at 904 South Peters street. He was also a former employe of DeKalb County Farm Bureau and the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

He and Marie A. Dellenbach were married Oct. 7, 1922 in Auburn and she survives. Other survivers include a son Robert, 401 South Lee street; three daughters, Mrs. Jack Smurr, 311 South Johnson; Mrs. Bennie Ricketts, 405 North Franklin street; and Mrs. Wayne Rowe, 618 North Randolph street; one brother, Herman of Avilla, thriteen grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

He attended Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren. Funeral services will be conducted by Pastor Frank R. Owens of the Beacon Baptist Church, Kendallville, and burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today.

July 21, 1977

Garrett Clipper

Funeral held for Louisa Pierce, 76

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, for Louisa Ruth Pierce, 76, well-known Garrett registered nurse, who died at her home Thursday. Rev. Ron Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church officiated and burial followed in Christian Union Cemetery.

Born Oct. 9, 1900 in Garrett, she had lived here all of her life and had been active in local hospital work and with the Red Cross. She received a service award from the Red Cross. She was a member of the Alumni Association of the Parkview School of Nursing, the Eastern Star, Tri Kappa Sorority, the Garrett Historical Society and the United Methodist Church.

A preferred memorial is to the United Methodist Church or the Garrett Community Hospital.

She is survived by one brother, John Pierce, Fort Wayne; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside rites for Vietnam baby

Graveside services were conducted at Calvary Cemetery at 2 p.m. Saturday for Jim Nguyen, two day old son of Nho Van Nguyen and Lan (Phung) of 307 South Britton street. The baby died of prematurity after having been transferred from DeKalb Memorial Hospital to Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church officiated.

In addition to the parents, a twin brother, Socat F., survives.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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KRUGER, RICHARD G.

July 26, 1977

Former Garrett resident dies

Richard G. Kruger, 46, Edmonds, Wash., a former Garrett resident and son of Edward Kruger, 201 Second street, and brother of Gary Kruger, 401 East Keyser street, died suddenly July 26 of a heart attack on his boat near Nansimo, Canada.

Funeral services were held Saturday at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Edmonds.

Mr. Kruger was an engineer with Seattle Boiler Works. He graduated from Garrett High School in 1949 and was married to the former Phyllis Grogg of near Holiday Lakes.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter, Karen, at home, his father and brother.

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FROWNFELTER, LOTTIE M.

July 28, 1977

Services today for Lottie Frownfelter

Funeral services will be held Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Lottie M. Frownfelter, 85, who died at 10:05 p.m. Thursday at the Garrett Community Hospital. Complications were listed as the cause of death. She had been in poor health for five years.

Born Oct. 22, 1891 in Garrett, she had lived here all of her life. She and John A. Frownfelter were married in 1912 and he died in 1962. A son, Bernard, preceeded her in death March 25 of this year.

She is survived by one brother, Hobart Martin, and one sister, Mrs. James (Merea) Leister, both of Rt. 2, Howe, Ind.

She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Eagles in Garrett.

Rev. Edwin A. Nerger, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne will officiate at the services and burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery near Corunna.

GENTRY, NELLIE L. August 2, 1977

Funeral Friday for Nellie Gentry

Funeral services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Nellie L. Gentry, 72, who died at 12:10 p.m. Tuesday at the Cameron Hospital, Angola. Cancer is listed as the cause of death. She had been at the hospital since July 22.

Born Oct. 18, 1904 at Earlville, O., to John and Anna Jones, she had been a resident here since 1944. She and William J. Gentry were married Dec. 16, 1923 in Pippin Lake, O., and they are the parents of two children; a son, Donald, of Denver, Colo.; and a daughter, Dorothy of Phoenix, Arizona. In addition, three grandchildren survive.

She was a member of the Easter Star, The 20th Century Club, and the Garrett United Methodist Church. Eastern Star services will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Ronald Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church will officiate at the funeral services and burial will be in the Lake Gage Cemetery, Steuben County.

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Services today for Clinton Bherns, 61

Clinton E. Bherns, 61, 1005 West Quincy street, died at 9:30 a.m. Friday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient one week. He had been in failing health for two years.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

He was born March 9, 1916, in Garrett to Harland V. and Clara (Cloy) Bherns. He and Rose Krick were married Oct. 16, 1936, in Auburn and she survives. In addition he is survived by one son, Clinton Bherns Jr., Kendallville; two daughters, Mrs. James (Deanna) Schulis, Orland, and Mrs. Edward (Rose Mary) Lafko, New Jersey; two brothers, Forrest Bherns, Garrett, and Orval Bherns, Kendallville; three sisters, Mrs. Alta Snyder, Rt. 1, Garrett, Mrs. Cleota Shields, Avilla, and Mrs. Laura Rodebaugh, Auburn; 12 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. One brother and one sister preceded him in death.

Mr. Bherns was a foreman at the Kendallville Foundry.

Services today for Bud Dennison, 45

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for Luther (Bud) Dennison, 45, who died Friday at his home at 509 North Randolph street. Death was due to natural causes.

Mr. Dennison was born Oct. 7, 1931, at Coldwater, West Virginia, to Wesley and Lida (Bee) Dennison, she survives and lives in Kendallville. He was a foreman at Reike's in Auburn and a Korean conflict veteran. He and Roberta Parker were married in June, 1956. She survives.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Jay (Rebekah) Swager, Fremont, In.; three brothers, Ernest and Charles, Garrett, and Clifford, Auburn; three sisters, Mrs. Mabel Snyder, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Tillie Burniston, Garrett; Mrs. Thelma Strup, Edgerton, Ohio.

Mr. Dennison was a member of the American Legion and Fraternal Order of Eagles and attended the United Methodist Church.

Rev. Ronald Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church, will conduct the services and the American Legion will hold military graveside rites.

VELPEL, GORDON JR. (JOE)

August 14, 1977

"Joe" Velpel dies of Hodgkins disease

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Gordon "Joe" Velpel Jr., who died at 10:35 p.m. Sunday at the Garrett Community Hospital. He had been a patient at the hospital for four weeks and had been ill with Hodgkins Disease, a form of cancer, for over two years.

Born April 9, 1943 to Gordon and (Iona Bond) Velpel Sr., he had lived in Garrett all of his life and was an employe of Anglin Sales and Service, Fort Wayne. He and Gloria Crane of Auburn were married Aug. 13, 1961 and she survives. In addition to the wife and the parents, who live in Fort Wayne, he is survived by three children, Kimberly, Gordon III and Greg; two brothers, George and Geoff of Fort Wayne and one sister Jackie of Fort Wayne.

He was a member of the F O Eagles, the Garrett Volunteer Fire Department, the Auburn Moose Lodge and the Garrett First Church of Christ.

Services were conducted by Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends of the Velpel family have conducted fund drives in the community over the past two years and have raised a total of $6,500 to help the family in their time of need.

FUGATE, ZACK

August 19, 1977

Funeral today for Zack Fugate

Funeral services will be conducted at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. today for Zack Fugate, 63, who died at 12:05 p.m. Friday at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for one year and had been a patient at the hospital for five days. Emphysema is listed as the cause of death.

Born Oct. 8, 1913 in Kentucky, he had been a resident of Garrett for 28 years and lived in the rural area. He was a former employe of Garrett Foundry for 13 years.

He and Opal Banks were married Feb. 12, 1947 at Jackson, Ky., and she survives. Other survivors include two sons, Dallas, Avilla and John, Rt. 1, Garrett; six daughters, Mrs. Christopher McPherson, Garrett, Mrs. David Clair, Auburn, Joyce Butler, Rt. 1, Garrett, Mrs. Lester Rhodes, Rt. 2, Avilla and Helen and Mary still at home; three brothers, Lawrence of Garrett, Estell of Prestonsburg, Ky., Ludlow, Canney, Ky.; one sister, Mrs. Katie Gilliam, Jackson, Ky.; and 23 grandchildren.

Rev. Dallas Alexander, evangelist, will conduct the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

WEAVER, MICHAEL J.

August 27, 1977

Michael Weaver, 29, dies of cancer

Michael J. Weaver, 29, Rt. 3, Auburn, a resident of this area for five years died of cancer Saturday at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Fort Wayne.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 1 p.m. today. Services will be held at the funeral home Tuesday at 10 a.m. with Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ officiating. After the services the body will be taken to the Thomas Funeral Home in Terre Haute for services at 10 a.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in Roselawn Memorial Park, Terre Haute.

Mr. Weaver was born March 15, 1948, at Terre Haute, a son of Ralph and Josephine (Jones) Weaver. He was married Aug. 5, 1972, to M. Gayle Byrd and was employed as an electrical engineer at Indiana & Michigan Electric Co.

Surviving besides the wife and parents are a son, Christopher, at home and two half brothers, Daryl and Gerald Jones, both of Terre Haute.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Michael J. Weaver Memorial at the Veterans Hospital, Fort Wayne.

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LUYBEN, SARAH

August 28, 1977

Services set for Sarah Luyben 87

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the McKee Funeral Home for Sarah Luyben, 87, who died at 1:05 p.m. Sunday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient one week. She had been in failing health for three years and complications are listed as the cause of death. Wayne E. Smith, pastor of the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, will conduct the funeral services and burial will follow in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Luyben was born Aug. 24, 1890, in Amsterdam, Holland, to Jan and Trijnkje Kat Bleeker and had lived here 21 years. She resided with her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Lewis at 811 South Randolph street. She and Joseph A. Luyben were married Aug. 23, 1914, and he preceeded her in death in 1928.

She is survived by three sons, Joseph, Fort Wayne; Karl, Liberia, West Africa; and August, Syracuse; one other daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Burgeren, Baltimore, Md.; 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Wednesday.

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LAZENBY, RUTH LANE

September 5, 1977

Rites today for Ruth L. Lazenby

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. today for Ruth Lane Lazenby, widow of James S. Lazenby. She died at 9:25 p.m. Monday at the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, after being in failing health for several years.

Born Jan. 18, 1906 in Portmounth, Ohio, she and Mr. Lazenby were married in Kendallville Feb. 17, 1962. He preceeded her in death in 1973. She was a retired employe of Indiana Bell Telephone Company in Kendallville.

Mrs. Lazenby was a member of the Eastern Star and the Bell Telephone Pioneers.

She is survived by one daughter Mrs. Glenn (Audrey) Jay, 1001 South Lee street; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church officiated at the services at the McKee Funeral Home and the Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville.

Preferred memorials are to the United Presbyterian Church or to the Sacred Heart Building fund.

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CUNDIFF, THOMAS

September 6, 1977

Services here for Chicago man

Graveside services will be held today at Chrisitan Union Cemetery for Thomas Cundiff, 73, who died at his home in Chicago Tuesdsay.

Born Nov. 16, 1903, in Guston, Ky., he and Gertrude Callihan, a former Garrett resident, were married Aug. 8, 1958, and she survives. In addition to the widow, he is survived by a half-brother, Paul Cundiff of Guston, one sister, Wanda Smith of Louisville, Ky. and a half-sister, Mrs. Zelma Murray, Guston.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Chicago and Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church will officiate at the services at 1 p.m. at Christian Union. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

September 12, 1977

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Funeral held for Charles Schemery

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday for Charles W. Schemery, 67, retired plumber, and maintenance employe of the Garrett Community Hospital. He suffered a heart attack at 12:05 p.m. Monday and was pronounced dead on arrival at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 2, 1910, in Williamsport, Pa., he had been a resident here since 1963 and lived at 312 South Peters street. He and Helen Hummel were married in 1948 and she survives. Other survivors include three sons, Ervin Weaver, Fort Wayne; Ollie Weaver, Placentia, Calif.; and Charles of Larwill; one daughter, Mrs. Cindy Edsall, Garrett; one grandchild and ten step-grandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church and was a WW2 veteran. Rev. Doyle P. Carpenter, interim pastor of the First Baptist church officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mac Thomson dies on fishing trip

Pike Mac Thomson, 70, retired B & O railroad employe, whose main recreation was fishing in the Lake of the Ozarks, was found dead in his boat on the lake at approximately 3 p.m. Monday. A heart attack is listed as the cause of death.

Born Aug. 22, 1907 in Slater, Mo., he had moved to Garrett when he became a railroad employe. He was married to Emily Nieman in 1942 and she survives. Other survivors include two sons, Clarence, Auburn; Ernest, Fort Wayne; one daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Beverly) Blust, Garrett; and five grandchildren.

The body was taken to the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home, Versailles, Mo., where it was cremated and the ashes were scattered over the Lake of the Ozarks.

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PAYNE, JOHN

September 15, 1977

Funeral today for former resident

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for a former Garrett resident, John Payne, who died of a heart attack at the Hubert Rutland Hospital, Pinellas Park, Fla., at 10 a.m. Thursday.

Born Oct. 30, 1924, in Fort Wayne, he had lived much of his life at 304 East High street. His residence in Florida was in South Pasadena where he had lived for the past six years. He was a maintenance man in Florida but had been a salesman for Sears in Kendallville.

He and Betty J. Penzin were married May 7, 1966 in Angola. She survives. Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Caramay) Koble, 300 East High street; two sons, Walter Penzin, Fort Rucker, Ala.; and Curtis Penzin, Pinellas Park, Fla.; four brothers, four sisters and 13 grandchildren.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church in Garrett, will officiate and burial will be in Christian Union cemetery.

Funeral today for Ortho D. High

Funeral services will be held today at 3 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Otho D. High, 77, 1318 West Quincy street, who died a few minutes after admission to Garrett Community Hospital Tuesday at 1:25 p.m. He had suffered a heart attack in the downtown section of the city and was taken to the hospital by the EMS unit after attempts were made at the scene to revive him.

Born June 29, 1900, near Helmer, he had been a resident here for the past 13 years. He was a retired guard at Essex International, Auburn.

He is survived by four sons: Wilbur High, Decatur, Ill.; Elmer High, 109 Eastwood Court; Gerald High, 507 South Johnson; Chester High, 407 East High; three daughters, Mrs. Lawrence Stratton, Sturgis, Mich.; Mrs. Cecil Wells, 315 South Ijams; Mrs. Cecil Hazelton, Kendallville; one brother, William High, Butler; one sister, Mrs. Ina Van Pelt, Corunna; 23 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was a member of the Eagles Lodge in Albion.

Marlin K. Ressler, pastor of the Christian Union Brethren in Christ church will officiate at the services and burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

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YARDE, HOWARD D.

September 21, 1977

Howard Yarde rites held Saturday

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Indian Village Church of God, Auburn, for Howard D. Yarde, 66, well-known farmer who died at 5:48 p.m. Wednesday at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a two-month illness.

Born March 10, 1911, near Garrett, he had lived in the same home all of his life. He and Ruth Warstler were married May 5, 1973 in Auburn and she survives. Other survivors include a son, Richard Yarde of Auburn; a daughter, Mrs. Neil (Martha) Rockey, Van Wert; a step-son, Darrell Warner, Auburn; two step-daughters, Mrs. William (Frances) Hjelm, Rt. 1, Garrett, Mrs. John (Bonnie) Bishop, Garrett; a sister, Mrs. Edna Grogg, Auburn; four grandchildren; 14 step-grandchildren; and six step-great grandchildren. He was preceeded in death by a brother, Claude.

Rev. Carroll L. McNutt of the Indian Village Church of God officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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FARNER, ORPHA A.

September 22, 1977

Services held for Orpha Farner, 96

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home for Orpha A. Farner, 96, longtime Garrett resident, who died at the Garrett Community Hospital Thursday at 9:45 a.m. Complications were listed as the cause of death and she had been ill for several months.

Born Sept. 4, 1881 in Allen County she and Alfred Farner were married and he preceeded her in death in 1951. Survivors include a niece, Mrs. Donna Houk, Huntertown; three stepgrandchildren (Dr. James Farner and Daniel Farner of South Bend) and their sister (name unknown).

She was a member of the First Church of Christ and the Rebekahs Lodge and the Pythian Sisters.

Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ, officiated at the services and burial was in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

KIGHTLINGER, MINNIE E.

September 25, 1977

Services held for Minnie Kightlinger

Minnie E. Kightlinger, 68, died at 8:55 p.m. Sunday at the Garrett Community Hospital after an illness of several months. Complications were listed as the cause of death.

Born Oct. 14, 1908 in Garrett, she had been a lifetime resident of the city. She lived at 118½ North Cowen street. She had been an employe of Creek Chub Bait company and had been a volunteer worker for the Head Start project in Garrett.

She was married to William A. Kightlingter, now deceased. Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Dallas (Delores) Colander, Kokomo; Mrs. Robert (Ruby) Souers, Auburn; Mrs. Ronald (Lillian) Dague, Fort Wayne; one son, David Cook, at home; 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Another son, Earl Cook Jr. (Cookie) died June 22 of this year.

She was a member of the Garrett VFW Auxiliary and the Assembly of God Church.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Wayne E. Smith, pastor of the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

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LEHMBECK, HAROLD C. September 29, 1977

Harold C. Lehmbeck

Harold C. Lehmbeck, 79, formerly of 2719 Queen St., Thursday in a local nursing home. A native of Garrett, he was a retired acrobat and juggler.

He is survived by a son, Harold R., Fort Wayne, and a daughter, Mary Wilson, Cleveland, Tenn.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, with calling after 2 p.m. today. Burial in Lindenwood Cemetery.

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HOLLIS, JOHN J.

October 1, 1977

Services Tuesday for John Hollis

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the McKee Funeral Home for John J. Hollis, 85, who died Saturday at the DeKalb County Home where he had resided since Nov. 15, 1974. Rev. Donald Isenbarger will officiate and burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery. Friends may call after 1 p.m. today. Rosary services will be held at 8:30 p.m. this evening.

He was born Sept. 18, 1892, in Ege to Jacob and Catherine (Bukavich) Hollis and lived in Garrett most of his life. He retired from the B & O Railroad in 1957.

Survivors include one son, Leonard Hollis, Auburn; two sisters, Mrs. Perry Pence, 1201 South Cowen street; and Mrs. George Pignotti, Joliet, Ill.; two grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

DIEDERICH, MOLLIE H. October 2, 1977

Mollie Diederich rites Wednesday

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home for Mollie H. Diederich, 80, lifetime resident of Garrett, who died Sunday at the Garrett Community Hospital. Complications were listed as the cause of death and she had been a patient since Aug. 30.

Born Dec. 14, 1896, in Garrett, she and Paul Diederich were married and are the parents of two sons and four daughters. Mr. Diederich preceeded her in death in 1954. Survivors include Robert, 501 East Warfield; Wayne, at home; Mrs. Charles (Lucille) Burhenn, Wolcottville; Mrs. Wilbur (Margaret) Conrad, New Haven; Mrs. Norvin (Mary Ann) McClure, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Keith (Virginia) Strock, 507 South Ijams, Garrett; one brother, Ernest Pausel, Fort Wayne; four sisters, Mrs. Vera Inman, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Frank (Lena) Greim, LaGrange; Mrs. Charles (Katherine) Dame; Garrett; Mrs. Clara Greim, Fort Wayne; 13 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Garrett, and Rev. Anthony L. Smith, pastor of the church will officiate at the services.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Tuesday. Preferred memorials are to the Zion Lutheran Church building fund or to the Garrett Community Hospital.

HYLER, RACHEL I.

October 11, 1977

Funeral Friday for Rachel I. Hyler

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. for Rachel I. Hyler, 80, former Garrett resident, who died at the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, of complications Tuesday at 4:45 p.m. She had been in failing health for several years.

Born Aug. 13, 1897, in Norwalk, O., she and Omar Hyler were married and he preceeded her in death in 1957. They lived for many years at 600 South Franklin street.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Richard House, Xenia, O., one sister, Mrs. Georgia Heubrock, Folsom, Calif.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hyler was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church and the Eastern Star. Funeral services will be conducted by Ron Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Thursday.

Eastern Star will hold services at 8 p.m. this evening.

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GENDA, OTTO J.

October 13, 1977

Funeral rites for Otto J. Genda

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday at the McKee Funeral Home for Otto J. Genda, 73, who died at his home of cancer in North Vernon, Ind. at 10:55 a.m. Thursday. He was born in Garrett and lived here many years.

A retired B. & O. employe of 50 years service, he had lived in North Vernon for several years. Born May 8, 1904, he was married to Rose Weldon and she survives.

Other survivors include a son, Virgil Genda, Butlerville, Ind.; two daughters, Mrs. Lafayette Nodine, 315 South Lee street; Mrs. Ardith Picklesimer, 101 North Union street; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Ella Bahls, Garrett.

Rev. Michael Roberts, pastor of the Nazarene Church, Garrett, officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

ANDREWS, JOHN E. (PETE) October 27, 1977

Former resident buried Saturday

Funeral services were conducted at the E. Harper and Son Funeral Home, New Haven, at 2 p.m. Saturday for former Garrett resident, John E. "Pete" Andrews, 64, of Fort Wayne. He died at 11:40 a.m. Thursday in Parkview Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient for two weeks.

A native of Garrett, Mr. Andrews had live in Fort Wayne for the past 30 years and was an employe of International Harvester Co., where he was a clerk.

Surviving are his wife, Lena; a daughter, Mrs. Connie Bussard, Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Marie Heyman, of 212 West Baltimore street; a brother, George Andrews, Columbia, S.C.

Entombment will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

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REINHART, LAURETTA HILL

November 6, 1977

Former Garrett resident dies

Funeral services were held in Glendale, Calif., for Lauretta Hill Reinhart, 90, former Garrett resident, who died at a Glendale hospital at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. She had been ill for five months and complications were listed as the cause of death.

Born to Emil and Pauline Hill in Garrett in August of 1888, she had lived here for many years until moving to California. She and Herbert Reinhart were married and they have one son, Gilbert Flowers of Glendale. Mr. Reinhart preceeded her in death in 1966.

Other survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Florence Vanderbosch of 711 South Walsh street, Garrett, and Clara Johnston, Altadina, Calif. Three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren also survive.

The funeral was in the Third Presbyterian Church and burial was in Roselawn Cemetery.

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NEAGU, JOHN

November 13, 1977

Funeral held for John Neagu, 88

Funeral services were held at the McKee Funeral Home Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. for John Neagu, 88, longtime Garrett resident, who died Sunday at 11:45 p.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital. He had been in ailing health for eight and one-half years and complications were listed as the cause of death.

Born June 20, 1889 in Sambata de Sus, Romania, he had been a resident of Garrett since 1925 and liv d at 111 North Guilford street. A r und house engine hustler on the B. & O. railroad, he retired in 1954 after 30 years of service.

He and Martha N. Kusu were married March 8, 1935, and she survives. He is also survived by three sons, John Jr., Merrillville, Ind.; Nick Neagu, Lake Station, Ind.; George, Chicago; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Romanian Orthodox Church, Fort Wayne, and the Brotherhood of F. & L.E.

Rev. John Tocanito, pastor of the Romanian Orthodox Church of Jackson, Mich., conducted the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Saracusta Services were conducted at the funeral home Tuesday at 8 p.m.

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BROWN, GERALD (BROWNIE)

November 19, 1977

Former resident dies Nov. 19

Gerald (Brownie) Brown, 65, Fort Wayne, died Nov. 19, in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, several hours after admittance. He was retired from the Penn Central Railroad in 1970 after 30 years of service.

A native of Garrett, he had lived in Fort Wayne since 1944 and was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Eagles Lodge 1357, Garrett, American Legion Post 296 and Local 724 of the United Transportation Union. He was a veteran of World War II. Mr. Brown had been employed by Knight's Parking Service since retiring.

Surviving are his wife, Victoria B. (Ludwiski) Brown; a son, Richard A., Fort Wayne; a daughter, Mrs. Marilyn Bassett, Auburn, and a brother, Harold S., Warsaw.

Services were held Tuesday, Nov. 22, at Mungovan & Sons South Chapel, Fort Wayne, at 10:45 a.m. and at 11 a.m. in St. John the Baptist Church. Burial followed in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, south of Garrett. Preferred memorials were gifts to the Allen County Cancer Society or the church.

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SPENCE, CYNTHIA J.(BRECHBILL)

November 21, 1977

Funeral Friday for Cynthia Spence

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. for Cynthia J. Spence, 28, lifetime Garrett area resident, who died at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday at the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient since March 2 of this year.

Born May 1, 1949, to Richard and Jean (Hinshaw) Brechbill of rural Garrett, she attended school in the Garrett system and then attended Purdue University. She married Donald L. Spence in Elkhart, April 18, 1969, and he survives. Also surviving are a son, Zachary and a daughter, Jennifer; her parents; a brother, Philip; and her grandfather, Ray Brechbill.

She was a member of the Model Home Extension Club and the Auburn First United Methodist church. John Dicken, pastor of the Auburn church will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Calling will be at McKee's from 2 to 5 p.m. today and 7 to 9 p.m. tonight. There will be no calling Thursday.

Preferred memorials are to the 3-M Class of the church.

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LEESON, SAM

November 23, 1977

Funeral Tuesday for Sam Leeson

Funeral services will be held at the St. Joseph Catholic Church at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday for Sam Leeson, 69, who died at 1:20 a.m. Sunday at the Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. Cancer was listed as the cause of death and he had been ill for one and one-half years.

Born April 15, 1908 in Noble County, to James and Anna (Husser) Leeson, he had been a resident here most of his life. He was a retired electrician on the B&O Railroad, having retired in 1973. He and Ursula M. Vanderbosch were married in 1938 and she survives. In addition, he is also survived by one son, James of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Mrs. Richard Hensley, Plainfield; two brothers, Don of Rt. 1, Garrett and Fred Leeson of Ligonier; two sisters, Mrs. Thelman Kooken, Bloomington and Mrs. Richard (Margaret Dolan), Erie, Pa.

He was a member of the Holy Name Society, the F. O. Eagles, the BPO Elks and the St. Joseph Catholic Church. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of St. Joseph and burial will be in Embrey Cemetery.

Calling will be after 1 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home. Rosary Services will be recited at 7:45 p.m. tonight. Preferred memorials are to the Cancer Society.

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BECK, MARIE S.

November 25, 1977

Funeral today for Marie S. Beck

Funeral services will be held at the Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, at 1 p.m. today for Marie S. Beck, of 900 South Cowen street, who died of cancer at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Garrett Community Hospital. She had been ill for several years and had been at the hospital for three weeks.

Born June 25, 1902, in Paulding County, Ohio, she was married to Harmon C. Beck on March 31, 1920 and he survives. She was a former employe of General Electric Company, Fort Wayne.

Other survivors are a daughter Phyllis, at home; another daughter, Mrs. Ernest (Patricia) Barrett, Lockport, Ill.; and a brother, Russel Bennett, Fort Wayne. A son, William, two sisters and a brother preceeded her in death. Four grandchildren also survive.

She was a member of the First Church of Christ in Garrett. Robert Wayburg, pastor of the Broadway Christian Church, Fort Wayne, will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Blue River Cemetery, west of Churubusco.

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MOWRY, VENIS C.

November 26, 1977

Venis Mowrey dies of cancer at age 68

Venis C. Mowry, 68, former Garrett police officer and resident died Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Cameron Hospital, Angola. He had been ill with cancer for two years and entered the hospital Nov. 22.

He was born Nov. 8, 1908, at Watseka, Ill., to Walter E. and Frieda Einhoff Mowrey. He lived in Garrett until his retirement in 1965 when he moved to Rt. 1, Angola. He was employed by the City of Garrett as a policeman for 10 years and then 25 years at the filtration plant.

Mr. Mowrey and Matilda Hodson Herendeen were married Nov. 21, 1959, and she survives. Other survivors include two step-sons, Walter Herendeen, Angola; and Robert Herendeen, Churubusco; three step-daughters, Mrs. Dwain Niccum, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Richard Wheeler, Angola; and Mrs. Richard Thompson, Fort Wayne; two sisters; Mrs. Brad Williams, rural Auburn; Mrs. Richard Sechler, 307 South Johnson street; 13 step grandchildren and five step great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. today. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Richard Curtin, Angola at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

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MILLER, DORA W.

November 30, 1977

Dora W. Miller, 84, dies Wednesday

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home for Dora W. Miller, 84, a lifetime resident of Garrett, who died at the Garrett Community Hospital Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. Complications is listed as the cause of death and she had been ill for four years.

Born May 27, 1893, she and Frank Miller were married in 1910 and he preceeded her in death in 1951. She is survived by two sons: Forrest, Glendale, Cal.; Jack, Garrett; three daughters, Mrs. Virginia Muzzillo and Mrs. Bonnie Miller of Garrett and Mrs. Jerry McGuire, Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren and three stepgrandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and five step great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church and Ron Bowman, pastor of the church will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Calling at the funeral home is after 1 p.m. Friday.

DEPEW, MARY ROSE

December 3, 1977

Mary Rose DePew dies at age 69

Mary Rose DePew, 69, 300 South Franklin street, died of complications at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Saturday at 4:18 p.m. She had been a patient in the hospital since Sept. 11.

A life long resident of Garrett, she was born April 2, 1908, to Joseph A. and Christina Teders Weaver and was married Sept. 17, 1929, to Orville K. DePew who preceeded her in death Oct. 5, 1957. Mrs. DePew was employed at Stern Men's Store.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Ronald Brown, Auburn and Mrs. David Burke, Bloomington; three sons, Daniel, Adrian, Mi.; William and Alan, both of Garrett; three brothers, Daniel and Earl Weaver, Fort Wayne and Raymond Weaver, Garrett; one sister, Mrs. Edward Kokenge, Auburn; and 12 grandchildren.

Mrs. DePew was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Rosary Society.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. today. Services will be conducted at St. Joseph Church by Rev. Donald Isenbarger at 10 a.m. Tuesday. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Rosary Society will hold services at 7:30 p.m. this evening. Preferred memorials to St. Joseph Church.

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BODEY, JOHN R.

December 6, 1977

John Bodey dies, services Friday

John R. Bodey, 77, of 1416 West King street, a resident of this area since 1920, died Tuesday at 9:10 p.m. of complications at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient since Nov. 19. He had been in failing health for three years.

The body is at the McKee Funeral Home where friends may call after 1 p.m. today. Services will be held at the funeral home Friday at 1:30 p.m. with Rev. Robert Stout of the Hudson United Brethren Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. The Masonic Lodge will hold services at 8 p.m. Thursday night.

Mr. Bodey was born May 23, 1900, at Payne, Oh., a son of Emanuel and Florence (Mercer) Bodey. He was married May 25, 1920, to Edna Alice Francis and she survives. He retired in 1965 from the B & O Railroad. He was a fireman and oiler.

Other survivors include one son, Everett Bodey, Garrett; one grandchild, 2 step-grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and eight step-great grandchildren.

Mr. Bodey was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Garrett.

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BOURDON, MARJORIE A. (CLARK)

December 13, 1977

Garrett native dies at Galesburg

A Garrett native and sister of Mrs. Melvin (Mae) Kelham of 306½ South Cowen street, Mrs. Harold L. Bourdon, 74, Galesburg, Ill., died last Tuesday at 12:10 p.m. at Cottage Hospital, Galesburg.

Mrs. Bourdon was the former Marjorie A. Clark, born Jan. 28, 1903 in Garrett. On Sept. 15, 1928 she married Harold L. Bourdon at Lake Hamilton. Mr. Bourdon is a retired vice president and division manager at Gale Products.

Mr. Bourdon survives with a son, Richard, Galesburg; two daughters, Mrs. Janet Stanforth, Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Mary Jane Bischoff, Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J., 12 grandchildren, a great-grandchild, and another sister, Mrs. Harriet Machenzie, Pensocola, Fla. A son, Jack, died in June of 1973.

Mrs. Bourdon was a member of the Central Congregational Church.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at Hinchliff-Pearson-West Chapel. Attending the services from Garrett were Mrs. Kelham and her daughter, Mrs. Ray Saxer, Rt. 1, Garrett.

Cremation followed the service. The family requests memorials to the church.

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STEIGMEYER, RALPH

December 23, 1977

Rites held for former resident

Funeral services were held in Ludlow, Mass. Saturday for Ralph Steigmeyer, 54, a Garrett native. He died early Thursday of cardiac arrest after a long illness of rheumatoid arthritis.

Born Oct. 17, 1924, in Garrett to Roman and Laura Steigmeyer, he had attended and graduated from the Garrett schools. He was a veteran of WW II having served in the U.S. Air Force. He was retired from a woolen mill in Ludlow, because of his arthritic condition.

Surviving is the wife, Lillian, four children and five grandchildren. In addition, he is survived by five brothers, including Jerome of 516 East King street and William of 304 South Cowen street in Garrett; four sisters including Mrs. Richard Wilcoxson, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Raymond Elson, Albion; Mrs. Robert Manon, Auburn; and Mrs. Neal Simon of 216 South Harrison street.

January 3, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Anna Engelhard dies; services set

Anna S. Engelhard, 86, 319 South Cowen street, died Monday at 5:10 p.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital. She had been in failing health for several years and complications were listed as the cause of death. She had been a patient in the hospital since Nov. 28, 1977.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home today from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday with Rabbi Richard B. Safram officiating. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne. The family has requested perferred memorials to the Garrett Community Hospital or Acduth Vesholom Temple.

Mrs. Engelhard was born March 14, 1891, in Offenbach-am-Glan, Germany to Lazarus and Sarah Stern. She was married in Fort Wayne Jan. 23, 1921, to Moses Engelhard who preceeded her in death June 8, 1957.

Survivors include the children, Caroline and Abner Rosenberg, 303 South Harrison street, and Frances and Alfred Engelhard, Fort Wayne; two brothers, Herman Stern, 319 South Cowen street, and Fred Stern, Michigan City; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Engelhard was a member of Acduth Vesholom Temple, Fort Wayne; Temple Sisterhood of Acduth Vesholom Temple, B'nai B'rith Women and Hadassah.

Former resident dies in California

Word has been received of the death of former Garrett resident, Richard N. Higgins, 62, Sunnyvale, Calif., who died Tuesday at his home following heart trouble and failing health this last year.

Mr. Higgins was born in Garrett in July, 1915, to Marion and Anna Higgins. Survivors include his wife, Hazel (Carlos) Higgins, a son and daughter, Lloyd and Lizetta, both at home; two sisters, Ethel Bultemeier, Garrett; and Mrs. Helen Starner, Phoenix, Ariz. Two brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted this morning in Sunnyvale.

Funeral service for Arthur Trovinger

Private funeral services were held over the weekend at Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, for Arthur D. Trovinger, 80, who died at 4 a.m. Thursday at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had suffered a stroke about a month ago and had been at the hospital for a month.

Born July 24, 1897, in Huntington County, he had been a longtime resident of Rt. 3, Auburn, southeast of Garrett. He was a WWI veteran and had married Opal Thompson in Columbia City in 1919. She survives as does one son, Karl Trovinger of Los Angeles; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the United Brethren Church and burial will be in the Christian Union cemetery. The body is to be cremated.

January 9, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Tragic death comes to 20-year old man

Death came tragically to Lee L. Auld, 20, Rt. 2, Avilla, Friday, when his clothing became entangled in a cornpicker and he suffocated as a result. He went into the field on the cornpicker at approximately 3:30 p.m. and at about 3:55 his father, Earl Auld, looked out into the field and noticed the tractor had stopped. Upon investigation he found his son entangled and dead on his arrival. He freed him from the cornpicker but it was too late for his son.

Born Sept. 26, 1957, in Columbia City, to Earl and Jean (Zorger) Auld, he was a 1975 graduate of DeKalb High School. The family moved to the Garrett area 18 years ago. He was a member of the Baron football team for three years and also was a member of the DeKalb wrestling team. He was active in 4-H and other farm youth activities. He was also a member of the CDYF of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

He is survived by his parents, who live on County Road 40, northwest of Garrett, one brother, Larry, and two sisters, Lynn and Linda, all at home; his paternal grandmother, Hattie Auld, Fort Wayne; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Zorger, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be held at the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren at 1:30 p.m. today. The body will be taken from McKee Funeral Home to the church at noon today for additional viewing. Rev. Thomas Deal, pastor of the church, will officiate and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The Garrett fire department, the DeKalb County Sheriff's department and an EMS unit all were called to the scene.

Mary Manley rites today; burial here

Funeral services were held at St. Kieran Church, Chicago Heights, today at 10 a.m. for Mary F. Manley, 81, former resident of Garrett and widow of Edward E. Manley. She had been in the Zace Nursing Home, Winfield, Ill., and complications were listed as the cause of death. She had been ill for about two years.

Born in Chicago Dec. 2, 1896, she, and Edward E. Manley were married in 1925. He preceeded her in death in April of 1962. She is survived by two sons, Howard J., Chicago Heights and Eugene E. of Windfield, Ill., eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. The Manley family lived on West King street when in Garrett and were members of the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Burial will be at Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett Tuesday at noon with graveside services conducted by Rev. Mario of St. Anthony's Noviciate.

McKee Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

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BARNETT, ROBERT FRANCIS

January 10, 1978

Services held today for Barnett baby

Graveside services were held this morning at 10 a.m. at Embry Cemetery for Robert Francis Barnett, son of Frank and Stephanie (McKenzie) Barnett of 1709 South Raod, who died of complications Tuesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Robert was born Jan. 7, 1978, at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. Surviving besides the parents are three sisters, Jennifer, Patricia and Angela, the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Janetta Barnett, Highland, Ind., maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKenzie, Kendallville.

Pastor Stan Hullah, Church of Christ, Kendallville, officiated. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

January 14, 1978

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Former Garrett woman dies in Ohio

Ethel I. Knisely, 92, a former Garrett resident, died Saturday at Hennis Nursing Home, Dover, Ohio.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home from 7 to 9 p.m. today. Eastern Star services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home with Ronald Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Knisely was born April 6, 1885, at Urichville, Ohio, to Emory F. and Isabella C. (Demuth) Battershell. She was married June 11, 1904, to Joseph C. Knisely. He preceded her in death July 24, 1969.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Mrs. William J. (Ethel) Knisely, 612 South Cowen street; one brother, E. J. Battershell, New Philadelphia, Ohio; one sister, Mrs. Elmer E. Emig, New Philadelphia; one grandchild, three step-grand children, two great-grandchildren and 12 step great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Eastern Star, GIA of BL of E.

Former resident dies in Flordia

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Oda Hart Engstrom Merritt on Saturday evening, Jan. 14, at West Palm Beach, Fla., where she had resided the last seven years with her daughter, Josephine Sachs.

Mrs. Merritt was a member of the 1899 graduating class of Garrett High School.

While in Garrett Oda and Arthur Engstrom resided at 606 South Cowen street for 50 years. She was a sister of the late Lucius Hart and Fanny Novinger, long time residents of Garrett.

Survivors besides the daughter, Josephine, are a granddaughter, two great-grandchildren, and six nieces and nephews.

January 15, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Queen Abell, 100, buried Tuesday

Queen E. Abel, 100, Garrett's oldest native, died at 7 a.m. Sunday at the Wesleyan Nursing Home, Marion, where she had been a patient for the last several years. Complications were listed as the cause of death.

She was born in Garrett May 31, 1877, to W. J. and Emma Frederick and married Charles Abell, who preceeded her in death many years. She is survived by one son, Dr. Charles Abell of Marion. Another son, William F. Abell, also preceeded her in death, as did four sisters. Other survivors include one grandchild; six great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Graveside rites were held at Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville, at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. Robert Bardeen, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Marion, officiating. Raven Funeral Home, Marion, was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Abell's father came to Garrett from Columbiana, O., and was a trustee of the Baltimore Land and Improvement Co., and arrived in Garrett in June, 1875. Before 1900 Mr. Frederick founded the Garrett City Coal Co., and sold it in 1907 to his son-in-law, Charles Abell. Mr. Frederick was an officer of the DeKalb Building and Loan Association and was elected mayor of the city three times.

Mrs. Abell was one of two graduates of Garrett High School in 1895 and then attended Ohio Northern university.

Former Garrett man dies Sunday

Rowell "Red" Weilert, 68, former Garrett resident and owner of the Owen-Weilert Funeral Home, Marion, since 1956, died Sunday at 12:36 p.m. at Marion General Hospital from complications.

He was born Nov. 2, 1909, in Garrett, the son of Clarence and Sylvia (Sherman) Weilert. He is survived by his wife, the former Hope Swalley of Garrett. A sister, Mrs. Leona Smith, Hillsdale, Mich., also survives.

Calling will be at the McKee Funeral Home after 7 p.m. Tuesday. Masonic services will be held at 8 p.m. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Ron Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII as Chief Warrant Officer. He graduated from Indiana College of Embalming in 1940.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church, Marion; Garrett City Masonic Lodge; Scottish Rite, Valley of Fort Wayne; Kiwanis, Marion; National Funeral Directors Association; Indiana Funeral Directors Association and a past president; Past president of Grant County Funeral Directors Association; Past Commander of the VFW 60, Marion; American Legion Post 10, Marion; Marion Pilots Club; OX5 Pioneer Aviation; Experimental Aircraft Association; Antique Classics of Airplanes; Pilots International Incorporated; Fraternal Order of Police; Past president of Marion Business Men's Club; Aircraft Owners and Pilots Assoc.; Retired Officers Association; Life Member of DeKalb Amateur Radio Assoc., with call letters W9FFM.

BURTZNER, LYNDES S. January 16, 1978

Former Garrett area resident dies

Lyndes S. Burtzner, 74, of 2121 North Anthony boulevard, Fort Wayne, formerly of Butler Center, died at 8:30 a.m. on Jan. 16 of a heart attack at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Burtzner was the son of Cliff and Emma Burtzner. Two brothers Oscar and John, Auburn, preceeded him in death.

Surviving are the wife, Thelma; a daughter, Mrs. Bre Borders, and one granddaughter, Rachel Borders, all of Fort Wayne, and a sister, Mrs. Letha McFeely of Holiday, Fla.

He retired in 1969 with 44 years of service with the General Electric Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Burtzner celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 26.

Services will be held this afternoon at Forest Park United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery. D. O. McComb and Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

January 17, 1978

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Rites Friday for Kenneth Pickering

Funeral services will be held in the Garrett United Methodist Church at 10 a.m. Friday for Kenneth C. "Red" Pickering, well-known former businessman. He died at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient since Dec. 7. Complications were listed as the cause of death. He had been ill for two years.

Born June 18, 1912, at New Paris, Ind., to Pearl E. and Ruth (Foster) Pickering. He and Helen Mayfield were married Sept. 16, 1939, in Auburn, and had been residents of Garrett since 1951. She survives. He was a sporting goods manufacturer's representative until he retired in 1968. He then became associated with James Hardware and Sporting Goods in 1970 until he retired in 1976.

Mr. Pickering was a member of the Garrett Rotary Club, the United Methodist Church, the Methodist Men, and the Questers Class. He was also chairman of the Trustees of the church and was chairman of the commission on Education at the church.

Ronald Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist church, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Friends may call today from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home. Preferred memorials are to the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Funeral Friday for J. B. Spencer

One of Garrett's oldest citizens, Jasper B. "Jeb" Spencer, 92, died suddenly at the Garrett Community Hospital at 3:35 p.m. Tuesday. He had been in good health until recently and was in the hospital for tests and an examination. Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. with Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Born Sept. 25, 1885 in Winchester, Tenn., to Felix and Phoebe (Clark) Spencer, he had been a resident here most of his life and lived at 814 South Cowen street. He was a retired engineer on the B&O Railroad, having retired in 1955. He and Beatrice M. Strawser were married Oct. 10, 1913 in Auburn and she survives. Other survivors include two sons, John, Norfolk, Va.; and Robert, Auburn; three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Eleanor) Smith, 805 South Cowen street; Mrs. John (June) Kock, 608 South Walsh street; Mrs. Raymond (Betty) Harris, Mt. Prospect, Ill.; 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the B&O Veterans.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home today from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to nine p.m.

Funeral rites today for Helen Kobiela

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. today at the St. Joseph Catholic Church for Helen J. Kobiela, 67, of 310 South Hamsher street, who died at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne, at 4:40 a.m. Tuesday. A stroke was listed as the cause of death. She had been a patient at the hospital since Jan. 8.

Born Nov. 28, 1910, to John and Leona (Byanski) Kobiela, she had lived here all of her life and was a clerk at Gingery's Department Store. She is survived by a brother, Adam, 318 South Guilford, and a sister, Marian of 310 South Hamsher.

She was a member of the Rosary Society, Daughters of Isabella and St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Rev. Donald Isenbarger will officiate at the services and burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Garrett Clipper

STOLL, MARIE C.

January 19, 1978

Services held for Marie C. Stoll

Marie C. Stoll, 97, a Garrett area resident most of her life, died Thursday morning at 4 a.m. at the Lutheran Home, Kendallville. Complications were listed as the cause of death. She had been ill since December, 1968, and at the home since Feb. 20, 1969.

Funeral services were held Saturday at McKee Funeral Home with Anthony Smith, pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church officiating. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville.

Mrs. Stoll was born Nov. 9, 1880, at Kendallville, the daughter of Gustav and Amiela (Kratzer) Sprandel. She married Fredrick B. Stoll in October, 1943, in Garrett. Their residence in Garrett was 607 South Lee street.

Survivors include two step-daughters, Mrs. Eldon (Irma) Knapp, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Alfred (Alma) Woodcock, Auburn; two step-sons, Walter A. Stoll, Ossian; Leroy, Huntertown; one foster son, William Sprandel, Somerset, N.J.; 12 step-grandchildren and several step-great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church and the Ladies Aid of the church.

January 23, 1978

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Man killed in I-69 crash to be buried today

A fatal head-on collision between a van and a semi-tanker truck occurred on I-69 south of Angola Friday morning. Killed in the accident was William D. Hoyer, 39, Canterbury Green, Fort Wayne.

State police said Hoyer was killed when his van apparently went out of control, probably on snow and icy covered road conditions, crossed the median strip and collided with a semi-truck containing propylene glycol, a hydraulic fluid. Hoyer died of massive head injuries.

Hoyer's daughter, Michelle, 17, was listed at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, in poor condition and in intensive care. She suffered head injuries, broken ribs and a broken sternum. Another daughter, Brenda, also 17, was treated and released. Both of the girls are from Auburn.

The driver of the truck, Charles E. Fonkhouse, 36, Marion, Mich., was treated for minor injuries and released.

Hoyer is also survived by a son, Steve, Auburn, four brothers, a sister, his father, Paul Hoyer, Rt. 1, Hudson. He had been an International Harvester employe for about 15 years.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Swank-Sprankel Funeral Home, Ashley. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery near Ashley.

JANUARY 23, 1978

Harry K. Lewis dies at age 87

Word has been received of the death of Harry K. Lewis, 87, Connellsville, Pa., formerly of Garrett. He died Monday, Jan. 9, at the State General Hospital.

Mr. Lewis was born Sept. 1, 1890, at Johnstown, the son of the late Edward E. and Minnie (Meyer) Lewis.

Mr. Lewis was Road Foreman of Engines on the B & O Railroad while in Garrett. He retired Nov. 1, 1958, after more than 51 years of service with the railroad.

Surviving are two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. His wife, Margaret, died Nov. 12, 1977, and two sons, James died in 1924 and William in 1971.

Mr. Lewis was a member of the Immaculate Conception R. C. Church, a charter member of the B.P.O. Elks No. 503 and 35 years a member of the F. O. Eagles Aerie 493.

The Kucera Funeral Home was in charge of services held last Thursday morning with internment in St. Joseph Cemetery, Connellsville.

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Services today for Edith Rynearson

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for Mrs. Edith M. Rynearson, 93, of County Road 32 west, Rt. 4, Auburn, who died at DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 7:30 a.m. Monday. Complications were listed as the cause of death. She had been a patient at the hospital since Jan. 23.

She spent most of her life as a resident of the area. She was born Feb. 8, 1883, at North Liberty, Ind., the daughter of Wesley R. and Amelia (Whitman) Rynearson.

She was married Nov. 16, 1902, at North Liberty to George W. Rynearson who preceeded her in death on May 22, 1967. Also a son, Robert, and a daughter, Violet, preceeded her in death.

Surviving are four sons, Ronald and Hugh, Rt. 4, Auburn; Max, Indianapolis; and Richard, Garrett; and a daughter, Mrs. Ollie (Hazel) Shetler, Archibold, O.; 13 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Pastor Thomas Hensley, Garrett First Church of Christ, will officiate at the services and burial will be at the Corunna Cemetery.

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SKEEN, BERNEICE (WOODCOX)

February 5, 1978

Services held for former resident

Services were held Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Berneice Woodcox Skeen, 83, Rt. 2, Hamilton, at the Swift Funeral Home.

Mrs. Skeen died last Sunday. Surviving are the husband, Ben, and a sister, Harriett Witherspoon of Ohio.

While living in Garrett she resided with her parents at 402 South Lee street.

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LELAND, FRANCIS I. February 7, 1978

Funeral today for Francis Leland

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. today for Francis I. Leland, 49, a 12-year resident of Garrett who died of cancer at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born May 29, 1930, in Butler, she and Lowell D. Leland were married June 18, 1949, in Angola and he survives. Other survivors include a son, Ronald D. Leland; a daughter, Mrs. Michael Richardson, both at home; her parents, William and Mary Anthony of Pleasant Lake; a sister, Mrs. Willis (Ruth) Hecht, Garrett; and two grandchildren.

Rev. John Hetherington, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

February 13, 1978

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Edith Beckman

Mrs. Edith Beckman, 75, of 2942 Plaza Drive died at 7:05 a.m. Monday in Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Beckman, a native of Garrett, lived in Fort Wayne most of her life. She was a former employee for Underwriters Adjusting Co.

Surviving are her husband, George F.; a daughter, Mrs. Kathryn E. Jackson, Fort Wayne; and two sisters, Mrs. Gaytha Swander, Albion, and Mrs. Burnis Ayres, Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Klaehn's Wayne Street Chapel, where friends may call from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday. Interment will be in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Goldie Reese, 92, dies in Angola

Funeral arrangements are incomplete for Goldie (Thompson) Reese, 92, who died at 12:15 a.m. today at the Carlton Manor Nursing Home, Angola. Complications was listed as the cause of death. She had been at the nursing home since June 10, 1976.

A resident of Garrett for 60 years, she was born Dec. 12, 1885 in Kirby, Oh. She married J. F. Thompson and he died Nov. 9, 1918. She was then married to M. D. Reese and the date of his death is unknown.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Sam (Dolene) Palmer of Cape Coral, Fla. Another daughter, Cleatus Haynes, preceeded her in death this past year. A sister, Mrs. Anna Pessefall, Defiance, Oh., two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren survive.

She was a member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, and Thomas Hensley, pastor of the church will officiate.

TREESH, IVER A. February 14,1978

Services today for Iver A. Treesh

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Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for Iver A. Treesh, 69, former Garrett resident. He died in his automobile one block from his home Tuesday at 1:45 p.m.

Born March 27, 1908 in Garrett, he had lived in Auburn for the past five years. He was a retired roundhouse employe of the B & O railroad, having retired in 1958 after 27 years of service.

He and Dora Belle Stewart were married May 7, 1970, and she survives. Other survivors include three sons, Thomas, Edgerton, O.; Roger and Keith both of Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. Eugene Vollmer, Edgerton, O.; three brothers, Orvil, Eldon and Lawrence, all of Waterloo; four sisters, Mrs. Harry Fike, Mrs. Ray Fike, Mrs. Lester DeWitt and Mrs. Letha Glick, all of Corunna; and eleven grandchildren.

Rev. William H. Loucks, retired minister, will officiate at the services and burial will be in 16 Cemetery.

Cushing, Mable L.

February 16, 1978
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Mable Cushing, 69 dies, services set

Mable L. Cushing, 68, 207 South Johnson street, died of complications Tuesday, Feb. 14, at the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral home after 3 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m., Friday, with Rev. Allen T. Reed officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Cushing was born Sept. 8, 1909, in Garrett to the late W. Frank and Geneva (Lafevre) Hyde.

A sister, Mrs. Margaret Noel Muhn of Erwin, Tenn., survives.

Mrs. Cushing was a member of the Emblem Club and the F. O. Eagles Auxiliary.

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WORMAN, JAMES W.

February 21, 1978

Brother of Henry Worman dies

James W. Worman, 64, Bates City, Mo., and a brother to Henry Worman, 706 South Lee street, died of cancer Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 10 p.m. in Independence Sanitarian Hospital.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Earp Funeral Home, Kansas City. Burial was in Fort Logan Military Cemetery, Denver, Colo.

Mr. Worman was born July 1, 1913, in Garrett to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Worman. He was a retired long distance truck driver and served in the U.S. Army from 1942 to 1945 in Iran.

Survivors besides the brother in Garrett are his wife, Maurine, a son, James W. Worman, Jr., Fort Wayne; three sisters, Mrs. John (Sylvia) Thames, Florence, S.C.; Mrs. M. J. (Barbara) Blough, Pioche, Nev.; Mrs. Luzetta Swantusch, Angola; and five grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Worman attended the services and have returned to their home.

RIEGEL, SHIRLEY A.

February 22, 1978

Shirley Riegel dies, services set

Shirley A. Riegel, 46, 606 Hill street, died at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been ill 16 years with multiple sclerosis and entered the hospital Tuesday.

Calling will be at the McKee Funeral Home from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday. Services will be held Saturday at 10:30 a.m. with Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will follow in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Mrs. Riegel was born July 21, 1931, in Garrett to George and Bessie (Swank) Baker. She married Clifford Riegel April 10, 1959, in Elizabeth City, N.J. and he survives.

Other survivors besides the husband are two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Sue) Blotkamp and Miss Carol A. Hall, both of Garrett; one half brother, Howard Patterson, Los Altos, Calif.; one half sister, Mrs. Sidney (Majane) Waldman, Chatsworth, Calif.; and one grandchild.

Mrs. Riegel was a member of the United Presbyterian Church, Garrett.

The family requests preferred memorials to Multiple Sclerosis.

Former GHS coach "Cam" Parks dies

Former Garrett High School coach and teacher, Cameron "Cam" Parks, died of a heart attack in Gainesville, Fla. Wednesday while at a skating rink, according to reports received in Garrett. A long time devotee of roller skaing, he found it to be very relaxing and entertaining during his lifetime.

Funeral services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church with Ron Bowman, pastor of the church officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery. Pallbearers are former GHS athletes who played for Parks in the late 30's and early 40's: James Herzer, Roger Gordon, Delmar Smith, Eugene Yarde, Jack Feagler and Ned Schlosser.

Born Dec. 12, 1905, in Steuben County near Pleasant Lake, he had moved to Garrett as a teacher in 1937. He and his wife Mabel, also deceased, lived at 400 South Walsh street. She died in 1960. The son of William P. Parks and Amanda Cameron Parks, he attended schools in Iowa and Illinois and then graduated from Hamilton High School. He also graduated from the University of Illinois with a B. A. degree and the University of Kentucky with an M.A. Degree. While at Kentucky he served as an assistant to the famed Adolph Rupp, who was head basketball coach for many years.

Parks is survived by one brother, Ira Parks, Carson City, Nev.; four sisters, Mrs. Richard Helmuth, Carmel; Mrs. James Fox, Milford, Oh.; Mrs. Richard Bourn, Old Saybrook, Conn.; and Mrs. Nelson Smith, Gainesville, Fl.

Parks was a teacher-coach at the University of Illinois High School; Kentwood, Louisiana High School; Barbourville, Kentucky high school and 35 years at Garrett High School where he retired in 1971. He and his wife, the former Mabel Hinklin, directed the waterfront for the Fort Wayne Area Girl Scouts at Camp Ella J. Logan for 25 years. He once wrote a novel, "The Girl Scout Man", about those experiences. He served 24 months in the Pacific with the U. S. Navy during WW2 as an officer.

Cameron became interested in Indian artifacts when he was a young man on a Iowa cousin's home. He and his grandfather often found arrowheads on the family farm in Indiana. He had the largest collection of ornamental and ceremonial slate ever assembled in one collection. He was called the "Slate King."

Park's has been listed in Who's Who in Indian relic collectors for the past few years and is well recognized throughout the country for his collections. He has generously contributed displays for libraries in northern Indiana in recent years, including one at the Garrett Public Library.

Parks co-authored and published four editions of Who's Who In Indian Relics and was working on the publication of two more books prior to his death. In 1974 Parks was named "Citizen Of The Year" in Garrett, and in 1975 he was honored by the Indiana State Museum at Indianapolis.

Parks is a past president of the Garrett Lions Club, a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church and the Retired Teachers association. He is a member of the American Red Cross WSI and is a Small Craft instructor. Other organizations he was a member of include the Limberlost Girl Scout council, Phi Epsilan Kappa, Fort Wayne Civil War Round Table, and the Fort Wayne Ice Skating Club. He also belonged to the Masons, Scottish Rite, American Legion and a dozen historical and archaeological societies.

March 9, 1978

Garrett Clipper

GARRETT — Cameron W. Parks, 72 former Garrett teacher and coach, autho and renowned collector of Indian relics died Wednesday of a heart attack i Gainesville, Fla. He was spending th winter there with his sister, Mrs. Nelso Smith.

Mr. Parks lived in Garrett since 1937, with his late address being 400 S. Walsh St. He was born Feb. 12, 1905, in Steuben County, the son of William P. and Amanda Parks. He married Mabel L. Hinklin on August 4, 1931. His wife preceded him in death.

Mr. Parks is survived by one brother, Ira Parks, Carson City, Nev.; four sisters, Mrs. Richard (Wilma) Helmuth, Carmel, Mrs. James (Maria) Fox, Milford, Ohio; Mrs. Richard (Florence) Bourn, Old Saybrook, Conn.; and Mrs. Nelson Smith, Gainesville, Fla.

Mr. Parks retired from Garrett High School in 1971, after 20 years of teaching social studies and 15 years as coach of all sports and athletic director. He was famous for his work with what he calle "the birdstone culture" (Indian relics

Most of his several books were on th subject, and he also lectured about India artifacts. Well-known Parks book titles a "The Girl Scout Man" and "Thanks Bad to Mercy."

Mr. Parks graduated from Hamilt High School, and earned a bachelor degree at the University of Illinois and masters at Kentucky University. He was World War II veteran.

He belonged to the Masons in Hamilt its extension chapter in Garrett and Scottish-Rite; was a past president Garrett's Lions Club, and belonged Garrett United Methodist Church.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Mond at the church. The Rev. Ronald Bowm pastor of the United Methodist Church Garrett, will officiate. Burial will be Garrett's Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call from 1-8 p.m. Sund at McKee Funeral Home.

March 13, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Funeral held for Marjorie Higgins

3/13/78

Funeral services were conducted at the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 1:30 p.m. for Marjorie J. Higgins, 47, lifelong resident of Garrett. She died at 1 a.m. Thursday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital of complications after a 10-year illness.

Born Feb. 18, 1931, in Cleveland, O., she lived in Garrett since a child when her parents, George Zoll and Lois (Webb) Zoll moved here. She and Normand G. Higgins were married Feb. 4, 1951, and he survives. Other survivors include the parents, George, Floral City, Fl.; and Lois, Fort Lois, Fort Wayne; four daughters, Sharon and Anita at home; Mrs. Sam (Jeanette) Cleland, Kendallville; Mrs. Lawrence (Marcia) Yarian, Garrett; and one son, James of Waterloo. A sister, Mrs. Georgia Griswold of Fort Wayne and five grandchildren also survive.

She was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett and Anthony Smith, pastor of the church officiated at the services. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Zion Lutheran Church or Muscular Dystrophy Fund.

March 16, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for Sheila M. Neeley

3/16/78

Funeral services will be held at the St. Joseph Catholic Church at 10 a.m. today for Sheila M. Neeley, 38, who died at the Garrett Community Hospital at 11:55 p.m. Monday. She had been ill with cancer for nine months and had been at the Garrett hospital and Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne for the past three weeks.

Born July 6, 1939, to Charles and Alice (Alford) Beber, she had lived in Garrett all of her life. An employe of Creek Chub Bait Company, she and Coy Neeley were married and they have three children, James, Charles, and Robin, all at home. She is also survived by her mother; one brother, Walter Beber, Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. Sharon Cramer and Miss Alice Beber, both of Garrett.

She was active in Cub Scouts and was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Rosary services were recited at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Donald Isenbarger, pastor of the St. Joseph Catholic church will officiate at the funeral services and burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the St. Joseph Catholic school.

McKee Funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

3/16/78

Funeral Wednesday for Grover Sapp

Lifetime resident of Garrett, Grover D. Sapp, 87, died at 9:23 a.m. at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Monday. He had been in failing health for over one year and had been a patient at the hospital since Feb. 22.

Born April 2, 1890 in Garrett, he had been a longtime employee of the B. & O. railroad. He retired from the railroad in 1956. He was a WWI veteran.

Mr. Sapp is survived by a sister, Esther A. Sapp, Sacred Heart Home, Avilla and several nieces and nephews.

He was a member of the American Legion, and the St. Joseph Catholic Church. Services were conducted at the church Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Donald Isenbarger, pastor of the church officiating. Burial was in Christian Union cemetery. Military graveside rites were conducted by the American Legion. Rosary services were recited Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

March 23, 1978
Garrett Clipper

Fred Haffner, 49, killed in accident

3/23/78

Fred A. Haffner, 49, 209 South Ijams street, was pronounced dead on arrival at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, at 2 a.m. Wednesday morning. He was struck by a semi-truck at the intersection of U.S. 30 and Goshen Road in Fort Wayne.

Apparently Haffner's car had broken down and he was walking along the road to seek help. His car was found a short distance from the accident scene. Police said Haffner was walking west along Coliseum Boulevard when a truck, driven by Donald G. McDanel of Beaver Falls, Pa., traveling in the same direction struck him. Police reports state the truck was traveling only 20-25 miles per hour at the time of the accident.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home today between 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Services will be held Friday morning at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Donald Isenbarger officiating. Military graveside rites will be conducted by American Legion Post 178 at St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla. The Rosary Society will hold services at the funeral home at 6:30 p.m. tonight.

Mr. Haffner was born April 12, 1928, to Richie L. and Mary R. (Bird) Haffner at Buchanan, Mich. They are deceased. He resided most of his life in Garrett and was employed at Dana Corp., Fort Wayne, for 27 years. He was a Korean War veteran.

He and Mary Jane Mateska were married Aug. 5, 1972, and she survives. Other survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Paul (Janet) Johnston, Garrett; Mrs. Dan (Karen) Clevenger, Auburn; Beth and Marsha Haffner, at home; one stepdaughter, Jayne Tetzlaff, at home; three sons, Randy, Garrett; Gary and Brian, at home; one step-son, Donald Tetzlaff, Menasha, Wisc.; two brothers, Dale, Merrill, Mich.; Cloyd, Auburn; four sisters, Mrs. Lora Freeman, Losantville, Ind.; Mrs. Louanna Witherspoon, Garrett; Mrs. Erma J. James, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Flavio (Freda) Romero, Edwardsville, Mich.; and four grandchildren.

Mr. Haffner was a member of the American Legion Post and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

The family has requested perferred memorials to St. Joseph Catholic School.

Rig victim's rites Friday in Garrett

Services for Fred A. Haffner, 49, of Garrett will be at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Joseph's Church, Garrett. He died Wednesday morning when he walked into the path of a semi-trailer rig on the U.S. 30 bypass just east of Frontage Road.

Allen County police say Haffner stepped from the berm of U.S. 30 in front of the westbound semi driven by Donald McDanel of Beaver Falls, Pa., about 12:10 a.m. Wednesday. No charges have been filed.

Haffner, a native of Buchanan, Mich., was an employee of Dana Corp., Fort Wayne, 27 years.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Jane; four daughters, Mrs. Paul Johnston, Garrett, Mrs. Dan Clevinger, Auburn, and Beth Ann and Marcia, at home; a stepdaughter, Jayne Tetzlaff, at home; three sons, Randy, Garrett, and Gary and Brian, at home; a stepson, Brian Tetzlaff, in Wisconsin; four sisters, Mrs. Lora Freeman, Losantville, Mrs. Louanna Witherspoon, Garrett, Mrs. Erma James, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Freda Romero, Edwardsburg, Mich.; and two brothers, Dale, Merrill, Mich., and Cloyd, Auburn.

Friends may call from 1 to 8 p.m. Thursday at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Avilla. Preferred memorials are gifts to St. Joseph's School in Garrett.

Services held for Samuel Geisinger

3/23/78

Samuel B. Geisinger, 93, of 519 South Cowen street, died Monday morning after a three day illness.

Mr. Geisinger was born in DeKalb County, May 31, 1884, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Geisinger.

He was married to Hazel M. McClellan, who preceded him in death. Survivors include a son, Hubert, with whom he resided; three daughters, Mrs. Everett (Georgena) Bodey, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Richard (Mildred) Woods, St. Joe; Mrs. Edward (Elnora) Brown, Auburn. There are 17 grandchildren and a number of great-grandchildren.

Mr. Geisinger was retired from the Auburn Automotive, Auburn.

Services were held at the Dilgard Kline Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Wednesay with the Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Burial followed at Woodlawn Cemetery.

March 27, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Lila Bishop, 66, dies following auto accident

3/27/78

Lila A. Bishop, 66, Rt. 1, Garrett, died at 9:36 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital following an automobile accident Saturday morning on Interstate 69 near Ashley.

Mrs. Bishop was a passenger in a car driven by Timothy Bishop, also of Rt. 1, Garrett. The vehicle was southbound on I-69, 50 feet north of the State Road 4 overpass at about 11:15 p.m. Friday. It skidded on icy pavement, hit the median and rolled over. Another passenger, Bonnie Bishop, received a fractured right leg and was taken to Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, with Rev. Wayne E. Smith officiating. Preferred memorials are to the church.

Mrs. Bishop was born Feb. 26, 1912, to Samuel and Lilly (Hassel) Handley in Illinois. She married Johnnie M. Bishop April 5, 1930, at Crown Point and moved to the Garrett area in 1948. Mr. Bishop preceeded her in death July 6, 1971.

Survivors include five sons, David, Fort Wayne; John, Rt. 1, Garrett; James, Fort Wayne; Thomas, Rt. 4, Auburn; Robert, Garrett; two daughters, Mrs. James (Mary) Parks, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Pat (Debbie) Kleeman, Garrett; four brothers, Elmer Handley, Denver, Colo.; Clarence Handley, Fort Wayne; Walter Handley, Jefferson City, Mo.; Ernest Handley, Ashley; one sister, Mrs. James (Evelyn) Nichols, Salem, Mo.; 18 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Garrett Clipper

SUMMERS, FRANK H.

April 2, 1978

Frank Summers, 65, dies suddenly

Frank H. Summers, 65, 314 South Cowen street, died suddenly Sunday morning while on vacation at the home of Louis Shaffer, LaJara, Colo. He had been ill one year.

He was born April 13, 1912, in Noble County to Henry and Catherine (Blaskie) Summers. He was married in Garrett June 26, 1940, to Virginia Royer. She survives. Mr. Summers was a retired machine operator at Zollner Pistons, Fort Wayne.

Other survivors besides his wife are one son, Michael L., Rt. 2, Avilla; one daughter, Mrs. Harold (Patricia) Bender, Rt. 4, Albion; one brother, Maynard Summers, Kendallville; two sisters, Mrs. Louis (Agnes) Sobasky, Kendallville; Mrs. Willard (Lucile) Comadoll, Ceresco, Mich.; and three grandchildren.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. The Holy Name Society will hold services at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Funeral services will be at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 9 a.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Summers was a member of the DeKalb County Police Reserves.

April 3, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Carl Russell, 75, dies suddenly

4/3/78

Carl H. Russell, 75, 1711 Woodview Drive, died Friday at 11:30 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been admitted earlier that day.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the first United Methodist Church, Waterloo, where he was a member. Rev. Max Smith will officiate. Burial will be in Fountain Cemetery, Fostoria, Ohio.

Mr. Russell was born July 24, 1902, at Paulding, Ohio, later moving to Waterloo. He was a manager at Modern Air, a Division of Aro Corp, Waterloo, and retired in 1967. He had lived in Garrett for seven years.

Survivors include his wife, Lavon "Bonnie," one son, Gerald, Hobart; a brother, Emery, Cleveland; a sister, Nora Ludwig, Bryan, Ohio; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was a 16 year member of the Waterloo Lions Club and the Christian Crusaders Sunday School Class.

Feller-Graffis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Services today for Walter G. Smith

4/3/78

Walter G. Smith, formerly of Rt. 1, Garrett, died at the age of 87 at Saint Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, Saturday at 2:05 a.m. He had resided at the Indiana Veterans Home, Lafayette, since July, 1972.

Funeral services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Paul E. Keck, pastor of the Laotto Emanuel Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Mr. Smith was born March 23, 1891, at Spencerville to Florence and Edith (Oberholtzer) Smith. He was a World War I veteran and a retired farmer.

There are no survivors.

April 10, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Rites held for Lucille M. Bartl

4/10/78

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the St. Joseph Catholic Church for Lucille M. Bartl, 56, a resident of rural Garrett. She died of cancer at 7 a.m. Thursday at the Garrett Community Hospital. Father Don Isenbarger officiated at the services and burial was in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne. Rosary services were held at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Born March 2, 1922, in Fremont, Ohio, to Robert and Margaret Baulmer; she and George J. Bartl were married Dec. 13, 1941, in Reed, Ohio. He preceeded her in death in 1976. She is survived by one son, Robert Bartl, Fort Wayne; six daughters, Mrs. John Ford, Fort Wayne; Mrs. George Oser, North Webster; Mrs. Herbert Sheetz, Garrett; Mrs. Franklin Bartlett, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Douglas Carter, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Brian Winn, Fort Wayne; two brothers; Tony Baulmer and Leo Baulmer, Fremont, Ohio, and 12 grandchildren.

Preferred memorials are to the Garrett Community Hospital.

Services Tuesday for Mary Seifert

4/10/78

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. for Mary M. Seifert, 88, 515 South Guilford street. She died Saturday at 6:15 p.m. at her home.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Rosary Society will hold services at 8 p.m. this evening. Rev. Donald Isenbarger will officiate at the final rites at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Mrs. Seifert was born March 10, 1890, at Ney, Ohio, the daughter of John and Mary (Strait) Gruber. She was married in Garrett on April 27, 1909, to William A. Seifert who preceded her in death Jan. 17, 1962. Eight brothers and sisters also preceded her in death. Only one niece and one nephew survive.

April 13, 1978
Garrett Clipper

Services set for former resident

4/13/78

Celia W. Renkenberger, 97, died Wednesday at 5:50 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, of complications. She had been at the Sacred Heart Home since July 2, 1974. She formerly lived at Garrett.

She was born in DeKalb County on Aug. 9, 1880, the daughter of the late Oliver and Ida (Preston) Weller. She was married June 15, 1899, at Avilla, to Melvin D. Renkenberger who died May 13, 1966. She was a housewife and lecturer on Home Economics and Wildlife and a member of the Methodist Church, Mackinaw City, Mich.

Calling will be at McKee Funeral Home from 4 to 8 p.m. tonight. Funeral services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home. The Rev. Daniel Stoner of Calvary United Methodist Church, Avilla, will officiate. Burial will be at the Swan Cemetery.

Survivors include two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A son, Harold, preceeded her in death.

April 17, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Max Corry dies suddenly Saturday

4/17/78

Max B. Corry, 58, 506 North Randolph street, died suddenly at Garrett Community Hospital at 9:25 a.m. Saturday. He was admitted to the hospital at 3:30 that morning.

Funeral services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Richard L. Watt, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. The family has requested perferred memorials to the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Corry was born Feb. 9, 1920, at Xenia, Ill., to Noble and Iva (Shaddon) Corry. He has lived in Garrett for 33 years and was employed on the B&O Railroad since 1941 as a freight conductor. He is a World War II army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, the former Loraine E. Babbitt; two sons, William C. and James E., both of Fort Wayne; and two grandchildren.

Mr. Corry was a member of the First Baptist Church, B of RT Lodge, American Legion and VFW.

Ellen Owens, 87, dies, services set

4/17/78

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Garrett United Presbyterian Church for Ellen I. Owens, 87, 214 South Harrison street. She died Sunday at 9:45 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient for eight days. Heart failure was listed as the cause of death.

Rev. Allen T. Reed will officiate at the final rites. The body will be taken from the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, to the church at noon Tuesday. The family will receive their friends at their mother's home today. There will be no calling at the funeral home. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Perferred memorials are to the United Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Owens was born at Bradford, Pa., Jan. 1, 1891, to Ralph W. and Teresa (Christ) Springer. She married F. W. Owens in August, 1909, at Fort Wayne. He preceeded her in death as did a daughter, Maxine Feagler. Mrs. Owens lived in Garrett 78 years.

Survivors include four daughters, Kathryn Manon and Peg Sockrider, Auburn; Jayne Kobiela, Garrett; Patricia Noel, Fort Wayne; one son, Jack Owens, Garrett; one sister, Mary Holsinger, Garrett; seventeen grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Owens was a member of the United Presbyterian Church and Harmony Chapter of Eastern Star.

CLEMENS, VINCENT D. April 18, 1978

Former dispatcher at B&O dies

Vincent D. Clemens, 79, Auburn, former chief dispatcher for the B & O Railroad, died Tuesday at 10:55 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill three years and hospitalized since last Thursday.

Mr. Clemens retired in 1962 as dispatcher. He worked eight years with the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department.

He was born in Garrett on May 20, 1898, to the late Samuel and Rachel (Huff) Clemens. He lived in Auburn for the past 35 years. He married Zilpha Stevenson on March 17, 1943, in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. She survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs.Patrick Dunn, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Floyd McQuown, Willard, Ohio, and two grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Bale Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home with Frank McCrady, pastor of the Worldwide Church of God, Fort Wayne, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

April 24, 1978
Garrett Clipper

Lenor Hess, 80, dies, services set

4-24-78

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, for Lenor S. Hess, 80, Rt. 2, Huntertown. She died at 6:50 a.m. Saturday in the Lutheran Home, Kendallville.

Friends may call at Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, from 2 to 9 p.m. today and at the church after 1 p.m. Tuesday. Burial will be in Lutheran Cemetery, Avilla. The family has requested perferred memorials to the church.

Mrs. Hess was born May 4, 1897, to Mert and Mary (Barnhart) Mead and was married to George Hess who preceeded her in death Sept. 20, 1976.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Ruth Heffelfinger, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs Lois Diehm, Kendallville; Mrs. Geneive Carson, Florida; and Mrs. Eileen stein, Fort Wayne; six sons, Richard and Donald H., Fort Wayne; Howard, Merlyn and George, Huntertown; and Merton, Kendallville; and a sister, Mrs. Agatha Bowman, in Arizona; 46 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

April 27, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Final rites Friday for Paul Griffin

4-27-78

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, for Paul W. Griffin, 64, father of Mrs. Harold Lee Johnson, Garrett. Mr. Griffin died Tuesday at 5 p.m. in Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton. He had been ill for three months and hospitalized for 12 days.

Mr. Griffin was a retired B. & O. railroad employee and a World War II veteran. He had lived in Auburn for the past 13 years. He was born in Willard, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mary Collins, five children; Paul, Jr., in Florida; Sheryl Griffin, Fort Wayne; Ted Yeary, Atlanta; Mrs. Calvin Mansfield, Butler and Mrs. Johnson. Also surviving are a brother, a sister and 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Paula Parmeter, 24, killed in car crash

4-27-78

Investigation continues in the accident in Fort Wayne Saturday in which Paula Parmeter, 24, former Garrett resident, died of a broken neck. This is the second such tragic traffic accident in the Parmeter family. Paula's sister, Carolyn, was killed Dec. 21, 1968, when she was a passenger in a car which crashed near Hicksville, O.

According to preliminary reports, Miss Parmeter was a passenger in the car of Joane Jerriad, of Fort Wayne. Police state that she died at the scene. The car causing the accident was driven by Gary Love, 22, of Columbia City.

According to the report, Love's car was northbound on Northrop when it crossed the center line, crashing head-on into the car driven by Miss Jerriad and then struck another car driven by David M. Lemasters of Fort Wayne.

Miss Parmeter was a native of Garrett but moved from here 11 years ago. She was a graduate of Snider High School and was a seventh-grade teacher at St. Jude's Grade School. Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Parmeter of Fort Wayne.

Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the D. O. McComb and Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home and at 10 a.m. in St. Jude's Catholic Church. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

May 4, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Rites held for Wilbur Ernest

5-4-78

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. for Wilbur M. Ernest, 63, Garrett area resident, who died at his home at 6:25 p.m. Sunday of cancer. He had been ill for several months.

Born Nov. 4, 1914, in Auburn to Marion and Rosa Ernest, he had lived near Garrett all of his life and was a machinist for Warner Gear for 37 years. He and Bonnie Fern Jimison were married and they are the parents of two sons, Larry, Rt. 3, Auburn, and Jimmy, Ashley. Three grandchildren also survive.

Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ, officiated at the services and burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

May 8, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for Hazel M. Clady

5-8-78

Funeral services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. for Hazel M. Clady, 84, longtime resident of Garrett. She died of complications at the Garrett Community Hospital Friday at 5:55 a.m. after being in failing health for five years.

Born July 8, 1893, in Clair, Mich., she and William R. Clady were married in 1913 and are the parents of two daughters, Mrs. Audrey Gaff, 111 East McHenry street and Mrs. Joyce Westenhaver, Angola; one step-son, Harold, Birmingham, Ala.; five grandchildren 15 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

She was member of the First Church of Christ and Thomas Hensley, pastor of the church, will officiate at the services. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery and McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

May 11, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Prominent Garrett man dies at age 79

5-11-78

Clayton M. Bailey, 79, 201 East Houston street, well known Garrett man died at 12:03 p.m. Wednesday shortly after admittance to DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been in failing health for seven years. Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 1:30 p.m. with Charles Davis, chaplain of the American Legion officiating.

Mr. Bailey was a former chief of Police in Garrett, zoning administrator from 1965 to 1978, former city councilman, and Democratic chairman of Garrett and DeKalb County and Garrett precinct committeeman. He was the present secretary-treasurer of the DeKalb County Aviation Board, having served since 1963.

Born June 4, 1898, to Oliver and Rosetta Bailey, in Wabash, Ind., he had been a resident of Garrett since 1901. Mr. Bailey was a U.S. veteran of the Navy in WW1 and a B.&O. railroad engineer, having retired in 1963. He and Maryellen Miller were married Dec. 10, 1955 and she survives. Other survivors include two step-sons, Philip Miller, Auburn; and Timothy, 510 South Franklin street; two step-daughters, Mrs. Samuel Campbell, Rome City and Mrs. Larry Baker, Holiday Lakes; one sister, Mrs. Ruth Colvin, Terrance, Calif., 10 step-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church; Vets of WW1 Angola, VFW, American Legion, BPO Elks, F. O. Eagles, Masonic Lodge and the Scottish Rite.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery in Kendallville with full military graveside rites by the American Legion.

Funeral held Wednesday for John Zumbaugh

5-11-78

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. for John A. Zumbaugh, 60, lifetime resident of Garrett, who died of a heart attack at 5:15 p.m. Monday. He suffered the heart attack at his home and was pronounced dead on arrival at the Garrett Community Hospital. He had been in failing health for four months.

Born Aug. 19, 1919, in Garrett to Ervin and Clara (Wilson) Zumbaugh, he and Madelaine Creager were married Aug. 28, 1937, and she survives. Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Gary (Mary) Laub, Butler; two sons, John E. Zumbaugh (at home) and Michael of 115 East Keyser street and one grandchild.

Mr. Zumbaugh was a retired B & O conductor, and an electric motor repairman.

He was a member of the Butler Eagles, Garrett Elks, United Transportation Union, the First Church of Christ and a very active member of the Northeast Indiana Paraplegic Association.

Thomas Hensley, pastor of the First Church of Christ, officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

May 18, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Auburn Youth found dead

5-18-78

An Auburn young man John Acton, 18, was found dead in a garage on West Nigh street Wednesday morning in his father's car. The body was discovered at about 7:30 a.m. at the home of Robert Parsons, and the cause of the death is unknown at this time. This will be determined Thursday after a coroner's report.

Acton was a senior at DeKalb High School, a varsity football player and ranked in the top ten per cent of his class academically.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home.

Father of Garrett men dies

5-18-78

Earl L. Woehnker Sr., 58, Fort Wayne, father of Roland and Earl L. Woehnker Jr., both of Garrett, died Saturday at the Veteran's Administration Hospital. Mr. Woehnker was a life long resident of Fort Wayne.

Surviving besides the sons in Garrett, are the wife, Evelyn; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Cheryl Sutton and Mrs. Tana Burnsworth, Fort Wayne; two brothers, Robert and Wayne, both of St. Paul, Minn.; and a sister, Mrs. Marjorie Wald, Fresno, Calif.

Services were held Monday afternoon in the chapel of Covington Memorial Gardens.

May 22, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Services held for Norman Carrico

5-22-78

Retired B. & O. claims agent, Norman Carrico, 64, died at 4:10 a.m. Thursday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient for five days. He and his wife, Lucille, had lived in Auburn 20 years.

A native of Keyser, West Virginia, he was a graduate of the University of Maryland and the Cumberland Academy. He and Lucille Gnagy were married in Charleston, W. Va., and she survives. Also surviving are two children, Dr. Norman Carrico, Bryan, O., and Mrs. Lowell Gratigny, Indianapolis and three grandchildren.

A private prayer service was held at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home and internment was at Roselawn Cemetery Thursday at 3:30 p.m.

Verda Rinehold Garrett native dies

5-22-78

Mrs. Verda P. Rinehold, 77, of Fort Wayne, a native of Garrett, died Thursday, May 11, in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Monday, May 15, at Chalfant-Perry-Klaehn Funeral Home.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Maxine Hoppel, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Virginia Hammer, LaGrange; and a sister, Gladys Weaver, Fort Wayne.

Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery.

May 25, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Helen C. Dickson dies at Sant Mateo

5-25-78

Word has been received of the death of Helen C. Dickson, 83, San Mateo, Calif. Mrs. Dickson and her husband, the late George Dickson, were former Garrett residents.

Mrs. Dickson passed away at the Brookside Convalescent Hospital in San Mateo, May 23.

She had been a resident in California for 30 years. Mrs. Dickson was the daughter of the late Frank and Jessie Casteel. Three step-daughters survive; Myrtle Dickson and Mrs. Elita Albus, both of San Mateo, and Mrs. Blanche Berghoff, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements were made by the Neptune Society. Interment will take place in Indiana.

8-31-78

Funeral today for former resident

Graveside services will be held at the Christian Union Cemetery at 2 p.m. today for Helen Dickson of San Mateo, Calif., who died May 23. The body was cremated and the ashes are being brought to Garrett for burial.

Mrs. Dickson is a former Garrett resident, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Casteel and she is survived by three step-daughters; Mrs. Hale (Blanche) Berghoff, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Alus Elita and Mrs. Myrtle Dickson, San Mateo, Calif.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian church, will officiate at the services.

Dick Riedhart dies of heart attack

Word has been received by Mrs. Stanley Riedhart of 219 South Franklin street, of the death of her step-son, Richard "Dick" Riedhart, 52, of Ventura, Calif.

Mr. Riedhart, born March 30, 1926, died of a heart attack in his yard on May 17. He had suffered a heart attack approximately three years ago and had been semi-retired since that time.

Besides the step-mother he is survived by three brothers: Tom, Swanton, O.; Bill, Lancaster, Calif.; and Joe, Modesta, Calif.; two sisters: Mrs. Wilbur (Florence) Mowry, Tuscon, Ariz.; and Frances Berry, Ventura.

Services were held on Friday, May 19 at Ventura with burial there.

Funeral Friday for Fort Wayne man

5-25-78

Funeral services will be conducted at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. for Merle B. Jackson, 71, a Fort Wayne resident. He died at the Byron Health Center, Fort Wayne, of pneumonia after being in failing health for five years.

He is a retired Kroger employe and lived most of his life in the Fort Wayne area. He and Dora M. Jordon were married in 1956 and she survives. Other survivors include a son, James, of Orville, O.; a sister, Mrs. Pluma Orcutt, Fort Wayne, and one grandchild.

Rev. Alfred P. Beale, retired Methodist minister of Albion will conduct services and burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Calling is after 1 p.m. Thursday.

Benjamin Sevrence dies, services set

5-25-78

Benjamin R. Sevrence, 71, of Harrison, Mich., died Wednesday at 1 a.m. at his home of a heart condition.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Friday. Services will be held at the funeral home Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church will officiate at the final rites and cremation will follow.

Mr. Sevrence was born April 28, 1907, in William County, Ohio. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Wiler Laisure Sevrence. He was a retired engineer on the Pennsylvania Railroad, a member of the United Brethren Church, Harrison, Mich., and the Moose Lodge of Napoleon, Ohio. Mr. Sevrence formerly lived in Fort Wayne and spent the winters at Leesburg, Fla.

Other survivors, besides the wife, include two sons, LaOtta, Waterloo; Lavon, Fort Wayne; one daughter, Mrs. Glen Donmyer, Grand Rapids, Mich.; one step-son, James Laisure, 310 South Walsh street; three sisters, Mrs. Artis Winegar, Cassellberry, Fla.; Mrs. Myrtle Parsons, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Marvel Smucker, Pettisville, Ohio; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchilcren.

May 30, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Husband of former resident killed

5-30-78

Funeral services were held Monday for Raymond Elser, 45, Rt. 2, Albion. He is the husband of the former Patricia Steigmeyer, formerly of Garrett.

Mr. Elser died in a two-truck accident on U.S. 6, east of Brimfield Friday at 6:57 p.m. Apparently John McBrayer, 26, of Cleveland was eastbound on U.S. 6 when a truck in front of him slowed for a car making a left turn. McBrayer swerved his semi-tractor into the westbound lane to avoid hitting them and collided with Elser's pickup.

Mr. Elser was taken to McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, where he died. McBrayer is in fair condition at McCray with a broken neck.

Services were held in the Asbury United Methodist Church, Albion. Preferred memorials are to the Albion Masonic Building Fund or the Asbury United Methodist Church.

Other survivors besides his wife are a son Steven, 14, a daughter Joan, 12, four brothers, two sisters and his mother.

June 5, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for John McCullough

Family funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for John A. McCullough, 88, retired B & O conductor. He died at 7 a.m. at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Friday.

Born April 1, 1890 in Garrett, he had lived here all of his life. He was married to Lelah Winn of Auburn and she preceeded him in death in 1974. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. I. W. Lewis, 804 South Randolph street, and one son, Robert W., 1200 West Quincy street; a sister, Helen, of West Virginia; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was a WWI veteran and started working on the railroad after his discharge from the army and worked from 1919 to 1959 before retiring.

He was a member of the B of RT and the Blazing Star Masonic Lodge, Charlestown, Ind.; Elks and a life member of the American Legion.

Rev. James W. Simmons, pastor of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

June 8, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Rites Friday for Carol Ann Jones

6-8-78

Funeral services will be held at the Bale Funeral Home, Auburn, at 1:30 p.m. Saturday for Carol Ann Jones, 34, 1705 Homestead Drive, Woodview Addition. An apparent heart attack was listed as the cause of death. She was admitted to the DeKalb Memorial Hospital shortly before death.

Born Oct. 29, 1943, in Chicago, she had lived in Garrett for five years. She and Allen Jones were married May 16, 1964 and he survives. She is also survived by a daughter Jennifer.

She was a member of the Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witness and Morris White will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Bale Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Former Garrett resident dies

6-8-78

Relatives in Garrett have received word of the death of Raymond Lyons, 57, Ebensburg, Pa., a former Garrett resident, on Monday morning, June 5, of a heart condition. He had been ill for 15 years.

The Lyons moved from Garrett around 1955. He was a World War II U. S. Navy veteran. He was employed by Murley's Furniture and was also a member of the city council.

Surviving is his wife, the former Josephine Hoeffel, two sons, Raymond (Mike), Cleveland; George, Phoenix, Ariz.; and a daughter, Mrs. George (Carol) Tuggle, Cleveland, a brother and seven grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday morning at Ebensburg.

Rites Friday for Anna Wilcox

6-8-78

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, with Monsignor Leo A. Hoffmann, pastor of the church officiating, for Anna Belle Wilcox, 76, former Garrett resident who died Tuesday at her home at 11:45 p.m. She had been in failing health for several years.

Born Aug. 21, 1901, in Garrett to John and Mary (Myers) Long, she had lived in Garrett all of her life until moving to the Castle Gourt Apartments in Auburn five years ago.

She and Therron S. Wilcox were married Aug. 20, 1923, and he preceeded her in death in 1965. She is survived by two sons, Jack, Rt. 3, Auburn, John, Rt. 1, Garrett; two daughters, Mrs. Paul (Doris) Daub, Auburn and Mrs. Tom (Mary Lou) DeWitt, Muncie; one sister, Mrs. Mabel Long, Auburn, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Rosary Society, the Auxiliary of Trainmen, charter member of Daughters of Isabella, and the Immaculate Conception Church in Auburn.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Rosary services will be held at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

June 15, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Garrett woman's mother dies 6-15-78

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in C. M. Sloan and Sons Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, for Lola M. Sproat, mother of Mrs. William Robbins, 115 South Ijams street.

She had died shortly after admittance at St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne, Sunday night.

In addition to the Garrett daughter, she is also survived by another daughter, Ruth Woods, Vallejo, Calif., and a son, Edward, Cicero, Ill.

Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

June 19, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Jerry Arrants killed in crash

6-19-78

Jerry Arrants, 37, former Garrett resident and former owner of the Sunoco service station where the Handy Andy store is now located and later owner of the I-69 Sunoco station on St. Road 8, was killed in a head-on collision in Rio Rancho, New Mexico Thursday. He was a graduate of Garrett High School.

According to word received here, he was enroute to work when another vehicle crossed the median and the two cars collided headon.

He is survived by his wife Carma; three sons, Lynn, Allen and Gregory; and his mother Mrs. Walter "Bea" Arrants of 803 South Lee street.

No details of the funeral were available but he is to be buried in the Rio Rancho area.

Final rites for "Dan" Smith to be Wednesday

6-19-78

Funeral services will be held at the First Baptist Church at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday for Daniel D. Smith, 76, retired B.&O. engineer, who died at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Sunday at 8:10 p.m. He died of a heart attack suffered last week.

Born Sept. 9, 1901 in Butler Township to George and Cora (Strause) Smith, he had lived here all of his life. He retired from the railroad in 1968. He and Elva M. Shirk were married Jan. 14, 1921 in Kalamazoo, Mich., and she survives. Other survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Shumway of 417 North Randolph street and Mrs. James Sobieski of 403 North Randolph street; one sister, Mrs. Shirley Davidson, Rt. 1, Garrett, and four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Engineers and the First Baptist Church.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. Tuesday. The body will be taken to the church at noon Wednesday where Rev. Richard L. Watt, pastor of the First Baptist Church will officiate. Preferred Memorials are to the First Baptist Church. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Word received of death of former Garrett woman

6-19-78

Mrs. Frank Yarde of northwest of Garret received word Friday of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Yarde Hall of Denver, Colo.

Services will be held Tuesday in Denver for Mrs. Hall who died in her sleep at a nursing home.

She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Yarde. Her husband Virgil Hall, preceeded her in death.

She was a graduate of Garrett High School but had resided in Colorado for many years.

June 22, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for Vernie Esselburn

6-22-78

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. today for Vernie H. Esselburn, 70, who died at 8:15 p.m. Monday at his home of a heart attack. He had not been ill.

A retired truck driver for Days Transfer, Fort Wayne, he had lived in Garrett for 39 years. Born Feb. 7, 1908, to Willis and Mabel Esselburn, near Auburn he and Elzena H. Miller were married April 5, 1931, and she survives. Other survivors include one son, Wilford of 514 South Randolph street; two daughters, Mrs. Lamarr Kressley, Hudson, and Mrs. Donald Elliott of 607 South Lee street; a sister, Mrs. Lucille Shippy; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the BPO Elks, The F. O. Eagles, Moose of Auburn and the Legion of Moose.

Ronald Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Elks Youth Fund.

Rites Wednesday for Stella Hile

6-22-78

Funeral services were held at the McKee Funeral Home Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. for Stella S. Hile, 76, who died at 4:15 p.m. Sunday at the Garrett Community Hospital. A heart attack is listed as the cause of death.

Born May 21, 1902, in Burr Oak, Noble County, she had lived in Garrett for many years.

She was married to Candos A. Hile, March 17, 1921, and he survives. Other survivors include two sons, Dallas, Inverness, Fla., and Eldon, 507 South Cowen street; one daughter, Mrs. Betty Brown, Fort Wayne; three brothers, Orville Strouse, Kimmell, Russell Strouse, Fort Wayne, and Floyd Strouse, Decatur. Other survivors include a sister, Mrs. Velma Brumbaugh, Columbia City, 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church and Rev. Richard L. Watt, pastor of the church, officiated at the services. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

June 26, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Rites held for Calvin Pickard

6-26-78

Funeral services were held at the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 1:30 p.m. for Calvin E. Pickard, former DeKalb County resident, who was killed in a truck accident on I-65, five miles south of Seymour Thursday. He is a brother to Frank Pickard of near Corunna.

Born Oct. 27, 1925, in DeKalb County to Frank and Onda (Markins) Pickard, he had lived in New Carlisle for the past ten years. He and Lynne Johnson were married June 8, 1968, and she survives. Other survivors include one son, James, and two daughters, Susan and Lori of Redondo Beach, Calif., the brother Frank, and a sister, Mrs. Harry Cogan of Cedar, Mich.

He was a member of the Faith Baptist Church of LaPorte and was a driver for Eberhart Steel Products Inc. of Mishawaka.

Rev. Richard Pickard, pastor of the Corunna Community Church, officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred Memorials are to the Child Evangelism Fellowship at Michigan City, Ind.

June 29, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Former druggist; Worthy Hughes dies

6-29-78

Well-known former Garrett druggist, Worthy E. Hughes, 88, died at 7 a.m. Monday, at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where he had resided since Feb. 13. He previously lived at 505 North Randolph street since 1908. Complications were listed as the cause of death. He had been in failing health two years.

He owned and operated Hughes Drug Store for 55 years before fire destroyed the building in the 100 block of South Randolph street on Dec. 25, 1972.

Mr. Hughes was born July 8, 1889, in Steuben County, a son of Wlliam A. and Nettie (Carr) Hughes. He received his pharmaceutical degree from Tri State College, Angola, in 1908. He was a pharmacist in Fort Wayne until 1913 when he began work for J. S. Patterson, who was located in a frame building where Best's Pharmacy is now located.

He bought out Mr. Patterson's interest in the drug store in 1928 and on Jan. 1, 1934, moved to the Odd Fellow building at 130-134 South Randolph street. He operated there until the building was destroyed by fire. At that time he decided to retire.

Mr. Hughes and Eva M. Smith were married June 15, 1910, at Traverse City, Mich. Mrs. Hughes preceded him in death March 14, 1961. One son, Robert, Auburn, survives.

Mr. Hughes was a long time member of the Masons and Scottish Rite and was the only surviving charter member of the Garrett B.P.O. Elks lodge, which started with 56 men.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Worthy Hughes

GARRETT — Worthy E. Hughes, 88, died of complications at 7 a.m. today in Betz Nursing Home, where he lived since February, 1978. He was the retired owner of Hughes' Drugstore in Garrett, where he lived most of his life.

He was born on July 8, 1889 in Steuben County, to William A. and Nettie Hughes. On June 15, 1910, in Traverse City, Mich., he married Eva M. Smith, who preceded him in death.

He is survived by a son; Robert N., Auburn. Mr. Hughes was a member of the Masons, Scottish Rite and a charter member of the Garrett Elks.

His funeral will be at McKee Funeral Home in Garrett on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Allen T. Reed of Garrett Presbyterian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Services set for Delia Redman

6-29-78

Former well-known Garrett lady, Delia Klingler Redman, 80, Angola, died at 2:30 p.m. Monday at Cameron Hospital. She suffered a coronary heart attack.

A very brief memorial service will be held Friday at 3:30 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, 207 North West street, Angola. There is no calling hours and preferred memorials are to the Heart Fund or the Angola Methodist Church.

Mrs. Redman was the daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Klingler, a well-known Garrett doctor who started the Clinic at 200 South Randolph street. She was a retired school teacher and charter member of the Alpha Chi Associate Chapter of Tri Kappa Sorority in Garrett.

Survivors include a brother, Dr. Morris Klingler, Sarasota, Fla., and a sister Neva Klingler Heer, Hamilton Lake.

Brother-in-law of local woman dies

6-29-78

Mrs. David DeLong of 921 West King street, has received word of the death of her brother-in-law, Richard Warford of Nogales, Ariz., formerly of Kendallville, who died Monday of cardiac arrest at the Tuscon University Hospital.

Mr. Warford was born Aug. 31, 1920, at Hicksvville, O., and was a 1938 graduate of Kendallville High School.

In August, 1940, he married the former Dorothy Schulthess of Garrett. They were the parents of two children; Richard Warford Jr., Kendallville; and Mrs. Stephen Price, Elkhart.

Surviving besides the wife and children are two grandchildren, his mother, Mrs. Donald Gindel, Kensington, Md.; two sisters; Mrs. Gerald McLallin, Ligonier; and Mrs. Richard Grant, Richmond, Va.

Memorial services will be held in Nogales pending word from Mr. and Mrs. Richard Warford Jr., who are in Alaska.

The family requests no flowers and ask people contribute to their favorite charity or the Lung Association.

H. Brown, Jr.

SPOKANE, Wash. — Harl Brown, Jr., 58, a Garrett native, died Thursday in Spokane Veterans Hospital.

Mr. Brown lived in Sand Point, Idaho. He was a Navy veteran. He was born in Garrett Sept. 21, 1919 to the late Harl D. and Nellie Brown, and lived in Garrett for 18 years.

He is survived by three daughters and one son, two brothers, Eugene of Stroh, Ind. and C.D. Brown of Sand Point, Idaho; three sisters, Mrs. Charles (Mary) Refner of Auburn, and Mrs. Edith Trusso and Ivadell Wills, both of Los Angeles; and three grandchildren.

His funeral will be today in Sand Point, Idaho.

July 3, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Services today for Warren E. Royer

7-3-78

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for Warren E. Royer, 91, formerly of Garrett.

He died at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient since June 23. He had resided at Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, since July 17, 1972.

Mr. Royer was born May 1, 1887, at Avilla to John S. and Ida (Clark) Royer. He was married to Bessie A. Comadoll who died Aug. 18, 1961. They were the parents of one daughter, Mrs. Virginia Summers, 314 South Cowen street; two sons, Maurice E., Ligonier; and Donald L., Willard, Ohio; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Mr. Royer was a track man on the B. & O. Railroad and retired Feb. 28, 1957.

He was a member of the Old Vets and F. O. Eagles.

Rev. Allen T. Reed will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Margaret Schomberg dies of cancer

7-3-78

Mrs. Margaret M. Schomberg, 80, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Paul (Ruth) Eppley at Marion Wednesday at 11:35 p.m. of cancer.

Mrs. Schomberg, daughter of the late John and Hanna A. (Bretz) Roos, was born May 9, 1898, in Garrett. On June 6, 1922, she married Henry W. Schomberg in Garrett. She had been a Garrett resident for the last twenty years. She resided at 511 North Franklin street, but had been at her daughter's for the past seven months.

Surviving besides the daughter are three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. James (Sabina) Divelbiss, Gooding, Idaho.

Mrs. Schomberg was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Athene Club.

Services were held at the First Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Sunday and burial followed at Christian Union Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to the First Baptist Church Memorial Funds.

July 6, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Former Industrialist dies in Missouri

7-6-78

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, for Harold L. Harnish, 63, of Rt. 2, Hamilton.

Mr. Harnish was associated with Bauman-Harnish Rubber & Plastics Inc., 410 North Lee street from 1955 until retiring in 1971.

He died at 10 p.m. Saturday at Skagg's Community Hospital, Branson, Mo. He had been ill for eight years.

Mr. Harnish was born July 2, 1914, near Auburn, the son of William and Grace Mae (Walters) Harnish. The father survives and is a resident of Auburn.

Mr. Harnish was married Oct. 19, 1938, to Mildred Abel at Newville, who survives. They are the parents of five children, Mrs. Shirley Greenfield, Auburn; William, and James, Hamilton; Edward, Follansbee, W. Va.; and Harold D., Fayetteville, Ark.; nine grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Waterloo.

Rev. Carl Greek, pastor of the Nazarene Church, Auburn, officiated at the services and burial was in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Preferred memorials are to the Hooverson Heights Church of Christ, Follansbee, W. Va.

Graveside services held for newborn

7-6-78

Graveside services were held at 4 p.m. Wednesday for Christy Lyn Gibson, daughter of Brance and Susan (Shoudel) Gibson of 102 North Franklin street, born prematurely at 4:30 a.m. Tuesday. She died at 8:15 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

A half-sister, Dana DePew, at home, survives.

Rev. Allen T. Reed officiated. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery with McKee Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

VOORHEES, MILLISON R.

July 8, 1978

Voorhees dies at Marion

Millison R. Voorhees, 75, a native of Garrett, died at 9:26 p.m. Saturday at Bradner Village Retirement Center, Marion, of cancer. He had been in failing health for 10 years.

He had lived at 319 South Walsh street until entering the retirement center May 1 of this year. He retired as a brakeman from the B & O Railroad in 1967. He was a member of the B. of R. T.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Richard L. Watt, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Voorhees was born Aug. 10, 1902, in Garrett to Dwight and Grace (Reed) Voorhees. He married Dorothy Woodyard on Aug. 29, 1921, and she survives. Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Miriam Wisner and Mrs. James (Eileen) Curson, Marion; one brother, Russell Voorhees, Rochester; one sister, Mrs. Susan Minear, Fort Wayne; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

July 13, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for Shirley Goings

7-13-78

Shirley Ann Goings, 44, former Garrett resident, was pronounced dead on arrival at 2:30 a.m. Tuesday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a two year illness. She apparently died of a heart attack.

Mrs. Goings was born June 6, 1934, to Henry and Clara Koble, who formerly lived in the 100 block of North Lee street. She is survived by a son, Donald, Auburn, a daughter, Beatrice Sprague, California, and six children at home, Patricia, Debra, Tina, Tammy, Richard and Jeff. A brother, Robert Koble, and a sister, Constance Freeman, both of Garrett and four grandchildren also survive.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. today in Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Former businessman dies in Fort Wayne

7-13-78

Funeral sevices will be held at 1 p.m. today at the Highland Park Cemetery Chapel, Fort Wayne, for former Garrett businessman and resident Harry Musser. Mr. Musser died at the age of 60 Monday at Parkview Memorial Hospital at 9:40 p.m. He had been ill for approximately two years.

Harry Musser and Ralph Clifton purchased Haynes Dairy from Lloyd Haynes in 1950 and it became known as City Dairy. Musser became sole owner in 1953 and continued on in the building now occupied by Kruger's Market until the late 1950's.

Born Jan. 25, 1918 in Decatur he had lived in Fort Wayne since 1962. He was married to the former Edith Stucky and she survives. Other survivors include two daughters; Mrs. Sondra Kolbe, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Donna DeMint, Tampa, Fla; a brother, Ed Musser, Fort Wayne; and five grandchildren

He was a member of the Plumbers and Steam Fitters Local 166 in Fort Wayne.

Funeral arrangements have been handled by the D. O. McComb Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Rev. Harold Oechsle, pastor of the Good Shephard Methodist Church will officiate at the services and burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

July 20, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Local man's mother dies at Lagrange

7-20-78

Rose Delight Haskins, 83, of Rt. 2, Wolcottville, formerly of Garrett, died Tuesday at 7:02 a.m. at the Lagrange County Hospital, Lagrange of a stroke. Mrs. Haskins had been in failing health for the last five years.

She was the daughter of the late John M. and Mary (Wonders) Underwood. In 1912 she married Elmer Black who died in 1947. In 1953 she married Fred Haskins who died in 1975.

Surviving are a son, Jack Black of 511 South Johnson street; a daughter, Mrs. Ralph (Mary) Ackerman of Wolcottville, and a niece, Mrs. Pauline Keever, Wolcottville.

She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary, Kendallville, and Ladies Auxiliary of the U.T.U.

Services will be held this afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home with the Rev. Richard L. Watt of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Mother of Robert Isenbarger dies

7-20-78

Faye B. Isenbarger, 81, mother of Robert Isenbarger, 317 East Houston street, died at 7:35 p.m. Wednesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at C. M. Sloan & Sons Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. today and from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Other survivors include three other sons, Lee and Jack, New Haven; Richard, Fort Wayne; three daughters, Mrs. Mildred Krock and Mrs. Jean Garmen, Avilla; Mrs. Nancy Herring, Huntington; and two half-sisters, Mrs. Sarah Phillips, McDermott, Ohio; and Mrs. Mame Gregory, St. Petersburg, Fla.

July 27, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Services today for Marie Creager

7-27-78

Funeral services were held this morning at 10:30 a.m. at McKee Funeral Home for Mrs. Marie Creager, 77, who died at 2:20 a.m. at the Golden Years Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, where she had resided since Aug. 13, 1971. Mrs. Creager had been in failing health for the past ten years and died of a heart attack.

She was the daughter of the late William and Susan (Ricketts) Topper and was born Dec. 4, 1900, at Waterloo. She married Roy E. Creager on Nov. 14, 1918, at Auburn. Mr. Creager died March 17, 1956. They formerly resided at 712 South Cowen street.

Suriviving are a daughter, Mrs. John (Madelaine) Zumbaugh, 507 East Quincy street; three sons, Earl, 1810 Woodview Drive; Wayne, 712 South Cowen street; and Roy E. Jr., 706 South Cowen street, 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the First Church of Christ and the Ladies Auxiliary of the B. of R. T.

Larry E. Morrison officiated with burial in Christian Union Cemetery.

7-27-78

"Chuck" Ludban funeral today

Funeral services will be held today at 2 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church with Charles Dickinson and Alan Reed conducting the services, for Charles F. Ludban, 60, conductor on the B & O railroad. He died at 1:30 a.m. Monday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. Heart failure is listed as the cause of death and he had been ill for three years.

Born July 29, 1917, in Johnstown, Pa., to Charles and Josephine Ludban, he previously lived in Willard, O. and has been an employe of the railroad for 33 years.

He and Harriet Bohler were married July 20, 1945, in Garrett and she survives. Other survivors include a son, Gary, Rt. 1, Wolcottville; one brother, Frank, Willard; six sisters, Mrs. Niles Cradlebaugh, Akron, Mrs. Anny Wiles, Reynoldsburg, O., Mrs. James Ballentine, Mrs. Virgil Daniels, Mrs. Richard Myers, Mrs. Patrick Mahl, all of Willard. He was preceeded in death by a son, Glen, who was killed in Vietnam, a brother, Tom, and two sisters, Caroline and Betty.

There will be no calling at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home. The body will be taken to the church at noon today for calling.

He was a member of the American Legion, V.F.W., Elks, Eagles, and the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Ludban spent five years with the U. S. Army during World War II.

Preferred memorials are to the Garrett Community Hospital.

August 3, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Rites held for Raymond Joshoski

8-3-78

Funeral services were held Monday at 10 a.m. for Raymond Johoski, 60, a resident of Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn. Monsignor William Faber conducted the services. Burial followed in Christian Union Cemetery.

Born Nov. 19, 1917, in Garrett, he had lived here for many years but had lived in Kendallville for the past ten years. He was a tool and die maker for Quality Tool and Die Company, Fort Wayne. He was married to Betty Easterday Becker, Sept. 14, 1968, and she survives.

He was preceeded in death by a brother and two sisters. He was a member of the Elks Lodge, Kendallville.

Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, handled the arrangements.

Final rites held for Norman Morr

8-3-78

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo for Norman D. Morr, 43, Auburn, brother of Sam Morr, Rt. 1, Garrett. He died of a heart attack at 3 p.m. Sunday. He was a prominent farmer and also worked at Auburn's Butler and Butler Construction Company.

Born April 26, 1935, to Walter and Edna Morr, he married JoAn Carper in 1955 and she survives. He is also survived by two sons, Jeff, Butler, and Tom, at home.

Rev. Wilbur Miller of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, St. Joe, officiated and burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

August 7, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Henry Duchow dies services Tuesday

8-7-78

Henry J. Duckhow, 78, a lifelong resident of Garrett died Sunday at 12:30 p.m. at the Butler Nursing Home where he had resided since November, 1973.

He was born June 24, 1900, to Reinhold and Mary (Bartels) Duchow in Garrett. He resided at 1100 East Keyser street and was a farmer.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home from 7 to 9 p.m. today and after noon on Tuesday at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Rev. Anthony Smith, pastor, will officiate and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Survivors include one brother, Paul, Garrett; and four sisters, Mrs. Fred Diederich and Miss Ruth Duchow, Garrett; Mrs. Roy Anderson, Crown Point; Mrs. Hulda Crabill, Auburn. One brother, Carl, and one sister, Mrs. Ester Murphy, preceeded him in death.

Services held for G. Heber Haynes

8-7-78

Funeral services were held this morning at 10:30 a.m. at the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren for G. Heber Haynes, 81, Rt. 1, Garrett. He died at 8:30 a.m. Friday of complications at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Rev. Glenn F. Mulligan officiated and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the church building fund. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Haynes, a retired farmer, was born Feb. 6, 1897, in Richland Township in DeKalb County, to Edward F. and Lydia (Lehner) Haynes. He married Nellie M. DeVeny on July 25, 1964, and she survives.

Other survivors include four sons, John E., Rt. 3, Auburn; Wayne E., Rt. 4, Auburn; Richard L. and James M., Rt. 1, Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. Mary A. Wolf, Rt. 1, Garrett; two step-sons, Russell DeVeny, Fort Wayne; and John (Jack) DeVeny, Portland, Ore.; one brother, Loyd Haynes; three sisters, Mrs. Carrie Jordan, Avilla; Mrs. Inez Kern and Mrs. Sadie Tuttle, Garrett; 20 grandchildren, six step-grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral today for Mrs. Leah Hogue

8-7-78

Mrs. M. Leah Hogue, 80, died at 6 p.m. at the Kendallville Nursing Home of complications. She had resided there since Sept. 19, 1977. She was a resident of Rt. 1, Laotto, for 40 years.

She was born Feb. 2, 1898, in Kingman, Ind., to Joseph and Elizabeth (Swan) Boyer and married Francis W. Hogue on Dec. 24, 1927, at the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren parsonage.

She is survived by her husband, Francis, one daughter, Mrs. Robert J. (Elouise) Knott, Rt. 1, Laotto; one sister, Mrs. Ruby Nichols, Lafayette; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren. Rev. James Simmons, pastor of the church, will officiate at services at 2 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Rites held for Butler woman

8-7-78

Funeral services were held in the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church Sunday for Mary W. Trenary, 78, Rt. 1, Butler, who died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday in her home in Butler.

She is survived by one son and seven daughters including Mrs. Dale (Alice) Yarde, Rt. 1, Garrett. A sister, Hazel Rennecker, Auburn, also survives. She also has 27 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, was in charge of arrangements. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

She was preceeded in death by her husband Brooks Trenary and three sons.

August 17, 1978

Garrett Clipper

8-17-78

Bedford man loses life on I-69

David W. Pruett, 22, Bedford, lost his life Saturday afternoon when he stepped into the path of an oncoming vehicle on I-69 northwest of Waterloo. He was struck by a pickup truck driven by Marlene Getts, 42, 1805 Woodview Drive.

Pruett was reportedly a passenger in a car which had stopped on the shoulder of the road in order to change drivers. As he was coming around the car to the driver's side, police state he stepped into the southbound lane of traffic and into the path of Mrs. Getts' vehicle.

State police were assisted by members of the DeKalb County police, Waterloo city police and Dr. William Hathaway, county coroner. Police made no arrests in the mishap, and say Saturday's fatality is the sixth death in DeKalb County this year.

August 21, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Armena Helmick dies at her home

8-21-78

Armena P. Helmick, 59, 415 North Randolph street, died of cancer at her home at 6:33 p.m. Sunday. She had lived in Garrett for nine years.

She was born Oct. 23, 1918, at Fairchance, Penn., to Nelson and Laverna (Fields) Bowlen and was married in 1936 to William E. Helmick. He survives.

Other survivors include two sons, William L. and Ricky B., both of Garrett, one daughter, Mrs. Chancey (Vivian) Lowdermilk, Herbert, Penn.; two brothers, Nelson Bowlen, Youngstown, Pa., and Delbert Bowlen, Atlanta, Ga.; two sisters, Mrs. William (Myrtle) Bittinger and Miss Naomi Bowlen, Fairchance; and 10 grandchildren.

Calling will be at Goldsboro Funeral Home, Fairchance, after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Services will be at the funeral home at 2 p.m. Wednesday and burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Fairchance.

Mrs. Helmick was a member of the Calvary Chapel in Garrett.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Brother of local residents dies

8-21-78

Willard E. Robbins Sr., 63, of Rt. 1, Angola, died Aug. 14, in the National Health Center, Bethesda, Md. He was the brother of Wilbur Robbins and Annabelle Congelton of Garrett.

Mr. Robbins was a native of Auburn and a truck driver for the Fort Wayne Street Department.

Services were conducted Saturday at the Klink Memorial Chapel, Angola. Burial was in North Shore Memory Gardens, Benton Harbor, Mich.

August 24, 1978

Garrett Clipper

8-24-78

Helen Yanuszewski burial rites today

Funeral services were held at 10:30 this morning at the McKee Funeral Home for Helen D. Yanuszewski, 81, longtime resident of the Garrett area who died Monday at the McCray Memorial Hospital of complications. She had lived at the Kendallville Lutheran Home for four years.

Born Jan. 9, 1897 in Bronson, Mich., she and Vincent Yanuszewski were married Sept. 29, 1919. He died in 1956. She is survived by fours sons, Alexander, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Valetine, Bloomfield, Mich.; Edwin, Columbia City and Richard, Kendallville. A daughter, Mrs. Miles (Delores) Doolittle of Royal Oak, Mich., also survives. Other survivors include three brothers, Edward Sikorski, Lowell, Fla., Alvy, Wixsom, Mich., Henry, Sherwood, Fla., one sister, Mrs. Esty Rogala, Romeo, Mich., six grandchildren, three step grandchildren and one step-great grandchild.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of the church, officiated at the service. He was assisted by Chaplain John Tews, of the Kendallville Lutheran Home.

Rosary Services were conducted Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

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Funeral held for William H. Casey

8-28-78

Funeral services were held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for William H. Casey, 69, a long time resident of Garrett, but a resident of Rt. 1, Hudson recently. He died at the McCray Memorial Hospital at 5:35 a.m. Friday of cancer. He had been ill for six months and a patient in the hospital since July 27.

A retired B & O brakeman, he was born May 28, 1909 in Walkerton to Henry and Geneva Casey, he and Clara H. Brose were married Nov. 19, 1932 in Hana, Ind. She preceeded him in death in 1974. He is survived by two sons, Damon, 1026 East Warfield street and David, Niles, Mich. Two sons preceeded him in death. He is also survived by a brother, A. B. "Andy" Casey, 127½ South Randolph street; two sisters, Mrs. Wilma Hockett, LaPorte, Mrs. Tip Dirrim, Florida; and two grandchildren.

He was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge, UTU and F. O. Eagles and the United Methodist Church.

Ronald Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church, officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Masonic Services were conducted at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home.

Services Tuesday for Margaret Galloway

8-28-78

Miss Margaret A. Galloway, 86, of 900 South Randolph street, died of complications Saturday at 5:30 a.m. at the Lakeland Nursing Home, Angola, where she had been a resident for the past three months.

Born April 20, 1892 in Garrett to the late Adolphus B. Galloway and Bertha A. Stutzman. She is survived by two sisters: Mrs. Wilma Spahr, Angola; Mrs. Josephine Fell, Johnstown, Pa.; and several nieces and nephews.

Miss Galloway had been an accountant for the B&O Railroad in Garrett, Akron and Pittsburg for 54 years and retired in 1966.

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home on Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. James Platner, pastor of the First Church of Christ will officiate and burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery. Calling will be after 1 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Miss Galloway was a member of the Garrett First Church of Christ and preferred memorials are to the church.

Funeral today for Julia B. Burtch

8-31-78

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home today at 10:30 a.m. for Julia B. Burtch, 84, of Golden Years Homestead Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, who died at 10:10 p.m. Monday of complications. She had been at the nursing home since November of 1973.

Born Aug. 23, 1894 in Auburn, to Ellis and Martha Cartwright, she and Nelson Burtch were married in November of 1911. He preceeded her in death in 1968.

She is survived by two sons: Raymond and Richard of Garrett; two daughters, Mrs. Norbert (Lois Deuitch, Garrett, and Mrs. John (Lila) of LaPorte. In addition she is survived by eight grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, and James Platner, pastor of the church will officiate at the services.

Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

B&O retiree to be buried today

8-31-78

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, for Wilbur T. Eldridge, 68, Rt. 2, Kendallville. He died at his home at 4 p.m. Sunday. He had been ill for four years.

A retired engineer on the B & O railroad, he was born June 26, 1910 in DeKalb County. He and Frieda Kleema were married April 12, 1947 and she preceeded him in death in January of 1977.

He is survived by three stepdaughters, Lanetta Stine, Huntington Beach, Calif.; Mrs. Beverly Howey, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Patricia Foster, Chicago; two brothers, Robert, Rt. 2, Kendallivlle, Dr. Dennis Eldridge, Huntertown and one sister, Juanita Willson, Winter Haven, Fla. In addition, eight step-grandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren survive.

He was a WW2 veteran and was a member of the Garrett Elks, F. O. Eagles, VFW, Kendallville, American Legion, Avilla and the Brotherhood of Engineers.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Heart Fund.

Services Friday for Laotto man

8-31-78

Funeral services will be conduced at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 1:30 p.m. for Gerald G. Faylor, 70, a 31-year resident of the Laotto area. He died Tuesday at the Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, after an illness of two years. He was a retired employe of the Huntertown Grain and Lumber Company.

Born April 4, 1908 to Roy and Mae Faylor, he was married to Mabel M. Davis Sept. 15, 1930 in Fort Wayne and she survives. Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Guy Grocock, Swan, Mrs. Dean Fulk, Churubusco, and one son, Robert, Fort Wayne. In addition he is survived by two brothers, Wayne and Everett of the Fort Wayne area, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted by Rev. Emmett L. Anderson, pastor of the Calvary United Methodist Church, Huntertown. Calling is after 2 p.m. today.

Mrs. Ben Swank's grandfather dies

8-31-78

The grandfather of Mrs. Ben Swank of 213 East High street, Albert Paight, 80, of Rt. 1, Shipshewana, died last Sunday at 4:30 p.m. in the LaGrange County Nursing Home.

Mr. Paight was born May 12, 1888 in LaGrange County, son of John and Alice (Williams) Paight. He married Etha Delora Deter on May 12, 1919 in Howe. She died on July 16, 1972.

Surviving is a son, Ellis Paight, Rt. 1, Shipshewana, four grandchildren, including Mrs. Swank, and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at the Shoop Funeral Home with the Rev. George Weister of the Howe United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Sidener Cemetery, west of Howe.

Funeral today for Marie J. Green

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. today for Marie J. Green, 75, who died at the Garrett Community Hospital at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. A stroke is listed as the cause of death. She had been in failing health since 1969.

Born Feb. 22, 1903, in Fort Wayne to Morris and Mary (Phieffer) Schnieder, she had been a resident here since 1952 at 912 South Guilford street. She and George Green were married Jan. 15, 1924, and he survives. She is also survived by a daughter, Mrs. Keith (Rita Marie) Bock, 217 West King street, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. One son, Edwin R. Green preceeded her in death.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church. Rosary Society services were held at the McKee Funeral Home Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Services will be conducted by Rev. Adam Schmidt, pastor of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, and burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Sister of Garrett resident dies

9-21-78

Services were held Monday afternoon at the William Arnold Hamilton Funeral Home, Birmingham, Mich., for Mrs. Meredith J. Lawrence, 62, a former resident and sister of Judy Clark of 513 South Walsh street.

Mrs. Lawrence was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Clark. She died last Thursday morning of cancer, and had been ill for two years. Her husband, Royston F., died of cancer in 1960.

Surviving are two daughters: Mrs. Robert (Margo) Baker of Grosse Pointe, Mich., and Mrs. Tom (Denise) Towne, Evansville, Ind. Survivors include three other sisters; Mrs. Charles (Joyce) Reuss of Dix Hills, Long Island, N.Y., Mrs. Giles A. (Marjorie) Lash of Prescott, Ariz., and Miss Vivian Clark of Lewisville, Ind.

Burial was in White Chapel, Birmingham. Miss Clark attended the services.

Funeral held for former resident

9-21-78

Funeral services were held Monday in the A. L. Moore Mortuary, Phoenix, Ariz., for Esther Cobler Lockhart, daughter of the late Thomas Clarence and Ida Cobler, 301 West King street, and widow of Lynn W. Lockhart, a prominent Arizona businessman. Internment took place in the Greenlawn Mausoleum of Phoenix. Mrs. Lockhart died of complications Friday noon in the St. Joseph Hospital of Phoenix where she had been a patient three days.

Mrs. Lockhart attended the Garrett Public Schools and was graduated in 1917, and in a few years went to Phoenix. She is survived by three sons, Charles and Lynn Jr., Phoenix, and Thomas C., of Salt Lake City; five grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Ross LaRue and Miss Lois Coble, both of Garrett, and a brother Oakley Cobler, Fort Wayne.

Her husband, Lynn Lockhart, had the distinction of being a pioneer as an independent oil producer and refiner in the northern part of Arizona, and at one time he was vice-president of the Lockhart Oil Company. He served three terms in the Arizona legislature as a senator and at the time of his death in 1968 he was the chairman of the Arizona Oil and Gas Commission, as an appointee by the Governor. He also served many years as chairman of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.

Before coming to Phoenix to serve in the legislature, he and Esther operated cattle ranches in the White Mountains of Arizona, making their home in Springerville. Lois Cobler visited many times in their Phoenix home and at the Springerville ranch. Thais LaRue spent a year in Phoenix studying music and stayed with the Lockharts as well as visting them at other times.

Esther Lockhart always had a warm place in her heart for Garrett and she and her family spent many summers in the King street family residence.

Fomer resident dies in Michigan

9-21-78

Services were held Monday afternoon for James Thomas Longbrake, 79, of near Manistee, Mich., formerly of Garett, and brother of Mrs. Charles Lumm of 910 South Randolph street.

He lived for years at Jackson, Mich., and spent the winters at St. Cloud, Fla. Mr. Longbrake died last Friday evening of complications.

Mr. Longbrake married the former Katherine Ralston of Stroh, in 1924, who survives. Besides the sister in Garrett other survivors include a son, Robert, of Moscow, Mich., four grandsons and two granddaughters, two brothers, Oscar Longbrake, Toledo, O., and Delmar Longbrake, Kendallville, and another sister, Mrs. Archie Kaiser, Willard, O.

Mrs. Lumm and her daughter, Mrs. Charles Ludban, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Kaiser, attended the services which were held at the Cavanaugh Funeral Home, Jackson, Mich., with burial at Roselawm Memorial Gardens.

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8-25-78

Funeral today for Effie R. Garver

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home Monday at 1:30 p.m. for Mrs. Effie R. Garver, 90, 110 South Britton street, who died at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital of complications at 7:07 p.m. Friday. She had been at the Hospital since Sept. 7.

Born March 4, 1888 in St. Joe, she had lived here for many years and was a long time employe of Fort Wayne and Auburn variety stores. She was first married to William West and he died in 1915. She and Charles Garver were married in Auburn in 1921 and he preceeded her in death in 1959.

She is survived by one son, William F. West, of 110 South Britton street.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Garrett, and Rev. Richard Watt, pastor of the church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

David M. Gilbert, 17, dies suddenly

David M. Gilbert, 17, 414 North Cowen street, died Sunday at 10:06 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne were he had been a patient two days. Complications were listed as the cause of death.

Calling will be at McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. Tuesday. Funeral services will be at the funeral home Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. with Rev. Michael Roberts, pastor of the Nazerene Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

David was born Sept. 12, 1961, at Winchester to Harry and Carolyn (Huffman) Gilbert. He was a 10th grade student at Garrett High School and active in wrestling. He also was a member of the Nazerene Church.

Other survivors besides the parents are: one brother, James Gilbert, Auburn; two sisters, Wanda Gilbert and Mrs. Dan (Carol) Holben, both of Auburn, and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Thelma Huffman, Winchester.

9-25-78

Father of Garrett women dies

Harvey H. Graves, 84, Fort Wayne, father of Mrs. Don (Ethyl) Leeson and Mrs. Don (Edith) Van Fleit, died Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient since Sunday, Sept. 17.

Mr. Graves, son of the late James and Samantha (Ambrose) Graves, was born Dec. 19, 1893, and was a lifelong resident of Allen County. On Sept. 30, 1921, he married Elsie Green, who preced him in death on July 27, 1969. He attended the Nazarene Church.

Surviving besides the two daughters in Garrett, are Virginia Wilkins, Norma Jean Gaines, and Gladys Giant, all of Fort Wayne, and Garnet Truman, Marion; a son, Dale, seven grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Services were held Friday afternoon at the Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with the Rev. Samuel Norris officiating. Burial was in Eel River Cemetery.

September 28, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Father of LeRoy DeLong succumbs

9-28-78

Harold DeLong, 67, of Rt. 2, Avilla, father of LeRoy E. DeLong of 500 East Hill street, died Tuesday at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. Mr. DeLong had been in failing health for several years. He had been a patient in the hospital since Sept. 20.

He was born Feb. 17, 1911, in DeKalb County, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Orrin and Olive (Treesh) DeLong. He married Ida Mae Smith on Nov. 2, 1933, at Waterloo and was a retired farmer.

Surviving in addition to the wife and the son in Garrett are five other sons: Harold A., Churubusco; Robert G., Kendallville; Hugh, Dale and Paul, all of Avilla; three daughters, Mrs. David (Caroline) Lash, Kendallville; Mrs. Charles (Loretta) Nesbitt and Diana DeLong, both of Avilla; ten grandchildren and two step-grandchildren; two step great-grandchildren; a brother, Kenneth, Auburn; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Carper, Auburn; and Mrs. Gladys Beck, Sturgis, Mich.

Calling hours are from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today. Services will be held tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. at the Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. C. Donald Richter, pastor of the Lutheran Church, Albion, officiating. Burial will follow in Fairfield Center Cemetery, Corunna.

Former resident Myrtle Lynch dies

9-28-78

Mrs. Myrtle Lynch, 82, of Churubusco, a former resident of 611 South Randolph street, died Tuesday at 8:45 p.m. in St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, of a heart condition. She had been a patient in the hospital for two weeks.

Mrs. Lynch was born May 21, 1896, the daughter of the late Sam and Lucinda (Hedges) Grable. She married Jesse Garrison in 1912. He died in 1956. Mr. Garrison was a manager for the Van Camp Milk Co., later the Pet Milk Co., and then a salesman for the Beltone Hearing Aid Co.

In 1957 she married Ralph Lynch, who preceded her in death in 1964. Mrs. Lynch was a manager of the cafeteria at Wayne Co-op, Fort Wayne, for many years.

She is survived by a son, James Garrison, Fort Wayne; two daughters, Mrs. William (Barbara) Carey, Franklin Lakes, N.J., and Mrs. Albert (Margaret) Killworth, Fort Wayne; three step-daughters, Mrs. George Ham, Lowell, Mrs. Robert Becker, Indianapolis, and Mrs. H. O. Becker, Columbus; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Rosary services will be held tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Krider-Workman Memorial Chapel, Churubusco. Mass will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Bosco St. John Catholic Church, with Father Patrick Durkin officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery, northwest of Garrett.

MARTIN, GEORGE A. JR. September 30, 1978

Ohio

DEFIANCE — Graveside services for George A. Martin Jr., 83, of Garrett, Ind., will be here at 11 a.m. EDT Wednesday in Riverside Cemetery. He died Satuday in the Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola, Ind. A Defiance native, he is survived by two sisters and one brother. The Lawson-Stick Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. There will be no calling.

October 2, 1978

Garrett Clipper

O. W. Barrick to be buried Tuesday

10-2-78

Word was received here late Sunday that O. W. Barrick, owner of Barrick Shoe Repair in Garrett for many years, died at 4:30 a.m. Sunday in Bluffton. He had been having recent heart trouble and heart attack is listed as the cause of death.

The funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Thoma-Rich Funeral Home, Bluffton.

Ironically, Mr. and Mrs. Barrick were in Garrett Friday and stopped in various places, including the Clipper office, to say hello to old friends.

Former resident dies at Lima, Oh.

10-9-78

Services were held Sunday afternoon at McKee Funeral Home for Mrs. Gloria L. Smith, 83, of Lima, O., formerly of Garrett. Mrs. Smith died last Thursday night at 10 p.m. of complications at the Springview Manor Nursing Home, where she had been a patient for 26 days. She had been in ill health for the past year.

Mrs. Smith was born at Nappanee, May 25, 1895, the daughter of Hiram and Sarah Crowell. She attended Goshen public schools and studied music at Goshen college. On June 16, 1912, she married Lawrence R. Smith at Goshen.

In 1915 they moved to a farm near Garrett and resided there until Mr. Smith's death on Oct. 28, 1966. She then resided at her new home, 615 South Ijams street, until June 2, 1974, when she went to Lima to reside with her daughter, Mrs. Carl (Rosemary) Dietrich.

Surviving besides the daughter are five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Smith was a member, for over 50 years, of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren, the Ladies Aid, a Sunday school teacher and pianist for 20 years.

Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. The Rev. Glenn F. Mulligan, former pastor of Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren, officiated.

Services today for Donald L. Conley

10-9-78

Donald Lee Conley, 60, Rt. 1, Grabill, brother of Wilbur Conley, Rt. 1, Garrett, died at 12:05 p.m. Saturday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today in the D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Allen County Cancer Society.

He was a native of Paulding, Ohio, and had resided in the Fort Wayne area since 1937. He formerly was co-owner of the C & C Supermarket, Grabill.

Surviving besides the brother in Garrett are his wife, Pauline; three daughters, Pamela Farrar, Indianapolis; Louise Jones, Grabill; Karen Conley, Orlando, Fla.; three other brothers, Russel and Harold, both of Mobile, Ala.; Wayne, Clearwater, Fla.; four sisters, Dorothy Clemens, Eloise Ringenberg and Evelyn Conrad, all of Fort Wayne, and Beryl VanDalin, Long Beach, Calif.

Bessie Cramer to be buried Saturday

10-5-78

Graveside services will be held Saturday at the Christian Union Cemetery at 11 a.m., with Rev. Allen T. Reed officiating, for Mrs. Bessie A. Cramer, 64, former Garrett resident, who died Wednesday at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Dayton, O. Cancer is listed as the cause of death and she had been ill for several years.

Her home had been in Richmond, Ind. for the past several years.

Born May 7, 1914, in Indiana, she and Everett Cramer were married June 17, 1934 and he preceeded her in death in 1967. She is survived by a daughter, Amber K. Mezydlo, Fairborn, O.; one son, John S. Cramer, Clark Air Force Base, Philippines; one brother, Richard Roberts, Richmond; and four grandchildren.

Calling will be at the McKee Funeral Home from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday.

Bessie Ringler dies at age 90

10-5-78

Mrs. Bessie Ringler, 90, a resident of the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, the past three years and formerly of 411 North Cowen street, died Tuesday night at 10:55 p.m. She had been a patient at DeKalb Memorial Hospital since Sept. 15 and died of complications.

Mrs. Ringler was born Nov. 7, 1887, at Auburn. On Dec. 21, 1914, she married Boyd H. Ringler at Hillsdale, Mich. He preceeded her in death on July 21, 1963.

Surviving are two sons, Walter of Tri Lakes and Ralph of 615 South Ijams street; two daughters, Mrs. Howard Burtch, Golden Lake, and Mrs. Ralph Tuttle of 613 South Taylor Road; seven grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Ringler was a member of the Garrett First Church of Christ.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. today. Services will be at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Friday with burial in Christian Union Cemetery. James Platner, pastor of the First Church of Christ will officiate.

Mother of Garrett man dies at age 66

10-9-78

Myrtle Young, 66, mother of Richard Young, of Garrett, died Thursday at her home in Kendallville.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. today at the Immaculate Conception Church, Kendallville, with Msgr. William Faber officiating. Burial will be at Lake View Cemetery. Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

She was born Feb. 27, 1912, in Four Mile, Ark., the daughter of James and Jenny Mae (Milwert) Stewart. She married Kenneth Young in Elgin, Ill., on Nov. 3 and he preceded her in death in 1976.

Surviving are two other sons, Melvin, Elgin; William, Ludlow, Ky.; two daughters, Mrs. Norma Howard, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Patricia Triplett, Kendallville; five sisters; 25 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

October 12, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Oakley Cobler, 82, dies, services held

10-12-78

Oakley E. Cobler, 82, a former Garrett resident and brother of Miss Lois Cobler and Mrs. Ross LaRue, both of Garrett, died at 12:02 p.m. Tuesday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, following a heart attack. He was a resident of South Turtlecreek Health Center.

Mr. Cobler was born May 14, 1896, in Garrett to Thomas and Ida (Van Zile) Cobler. He was married for 46 years to Marie Maxwell of Garrett before her death. He was then married to Florence Renneman for 10 years before her death on April 19, 1977. Mr. Cobler was a retired engineer with the Elgin Joliet & Eastern Railroad in Gary. He also was a former employe of the Garrett Post Office.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Jacqueline Verdeyen, Gary; and one son, Edmond, Pueblo West, Colo.

Funeral services were held today at 9:30 a.m. in the D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. today in Calumet Cemetery, Merrillville.

He was a 32nd degree Mason, a member of the Scottish Rite and Calvary Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne.

GENDA, VIRGIL T. October 14, 1978

Virgil Genda dies in North Vernon

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Charles Dove Funeral Home, North Vernon, for former Garrett resident, Virgil T. Genda, 56, who died Saturday from cancer following an extended illness.

Born Aug. 1, 1922, in Garrett to Otto and Rose (Weldon) Genda, he had lived here during his youth and graduated from Garrett High School in 1941. He was a WW II veteran and worked at the Muscatatuck State Hospital. He was married to Darlene Downing and she survives. Other survivors include a son, Jerry, North Vernon, and Bret and Byron at home; his mother, two sisters; Delores Nodine and Ardith Picklesimer, both of Garrett and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the VFW and the Queensville Christian Church. Rev. William A. Ramey, pastor of the Queensville church officiated at the services and burial, with full military rites, was at Vernon Cemetery.

October 26, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Walter Coble's grandson dies

10-26-78

Frank G. Cary, 33, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and grandson of Walter S. Coble of 208 South Guilford street died Friday in Salida, Colo.

Mr. Cary was a native of Fort Wayne. Surviving besides the grandfather are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Cary; a brother, Charles, grandmother, Iren Cary; all of Fort Wayne, and a step-grandmother, Rena Cary, Orland.

Services were held Tuesday afternoon at the D. O. McComb and Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, with burial in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Funeral Wednesday for Garrett man

10-26-78

Graveside services were held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Allen T. Reed officiating, for Ernest S. Wilhoff, 70, 118½ North Peters street, who died at 4:07 a.m. Monday after a lengthy illness. He had been a resident here for three months, havving moved here from Fort Wayne. Burial was in Embrey Cemetery.

Born Jan. 11, 1908, in Michigan, he was a retired dispatcher for Thomas Kappell Inc. Trucking Co., Springfield, Ohio. He was an employe for 44 years.

He is survived by one son, Stephen Wilhoff, Hamilton; two brothers, Howard and Richard, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. Genevive Lindley, Sacremento, Calif., and Miss Helen Wilhoff, Phoenix and four grandchildren.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Rites today for Harry (Pood) Rowe

10-26-78

Funeral services will be conducted at the McKee Funeral Home today at 1:30 p.m. for Harry C. (Pood) Rowe, 83, former Garrett resident, who died at the home of his daughter Mrs. Arthur Paquin, Dyer, Ind., at 1:15 p.m. Monday of complications. He had been ill for over three years.

Born Feb. 5, 1895, in Garrett to Cornelius and Lilly (Miller) Rowe, he lived in Garrett most of his life. He was a retired ticket agent for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, having retired in 1966.

He and Amy F. Fish were married Oct. 11, 1916, in Garrett and she survives, also living with the daughter. Another daughter, Mrs. Helen Moss, Angola, survives.

He was a member of the United Methodist church and the Masons. Pastor Ronald Bowman will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Masonic services were conducted at the Funeral Home at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

October 30, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Father of Christie Heiman dies

10-30-78

Funeral services were held Friday in Bale Funeral Home, Auburn, for Ronald Dale Ranney, 66, Rt. 4, Fremont, father of Mrs. Richard (Christie) Heiman, Garrett.

Mr. Ranney died Tuesday at 11:30 p.m. in Cameron Hospital, Angola, where he had been a patient since Oct. 18. He was retired from Cooper Industrial Products, Auburn, where he had worked for 13 years.

He was born in Auburn on Nov. 20, 1911, to the late James E. and Mary (Thompson) Ranney. He married Vera Haywood on March 17, 1943. She survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Ronald of Texas and James of Ashley; a stepson, David Porter, Butler; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Dale (Ruth Ann) Weilbaker, Auburn; a brother, Lloyd Ranney, Auburn; a sister, Ismay Sands, of Texas; and 14 grandchildren.

Rev. Darold Beck, pastor of Angola Assembly of God Church, officiated and burial was in Cedar Chapel cemetery.

Local man's mother dies in New York

10-30-78

Funeral services were held in New York City Friday for Mrs. Jacob (Martha) Rosenberg, 96, mother of Abner Rosenberg of 303 South Harrison street. She died last Tuesday at her home after a two year illness. She was born in Krachow, Poland, in 1892.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Leo Wise, N.Y.; two sons, Abner in Garrett and Bernard Rosenberg of Washington, D.C. Another son died as a young child. Other survivors are three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Rosenberg and his son, Sandford of Indianapolis, attended the funeral and returned home late Sunday.

THOMPSON, DARRELL D. (BUCK) November 3, 1978

Services today for Darrell Thompson

Funeral services will be held this morning at 10:30 a.m. at Baidinger-Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, for Darrell D. (Buck) Thompson of 614 East Hill street. Mr. Thompson died at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Friday at 5 p.m. of cancer after an illness of three years. He had been a patient at the hospital for ten days.

Mr. Thompson was born Sept. 27, 1916, in Garrett, the son of the late Grover Guy and Mabel (Barnett) Thompson. On July 25, 1936, he married Gladys Furnish at the Presbyterian Church, Kendallville. She survives.

Other survivors include a son, Darrell, Fort Wayne; three daughters, Norma Jean Smolek, Merom, Ind.; Bette Vauris, Auburn; and Joan Fuller, Garrett; eight grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and a sister, Maxine Penland, San Diego, Calif.

Mr. Thompson was a member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, F. O. Eagles, Garrett, Masonic Lodge, Garrett, and the Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne. He was a B. & O. Railroad conductor until taking disability pension.

Mr. Charles Dickison of the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission will officiate and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Heart or Cancer Funds.

November 6, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Owner of Gingery's Dept. Store dies

11-9-78

Vernoica C. Gingery, 80, 300 South Hamsher street, died Monday of complications at 9:55 p.m. at the Fort Wayne Healthcare Center where she had been a patient since Nov. 3. She was the owner of Gingery's Department Store.

Mrs. Gingery, known by many as Fronie, and her husband, Laird, purchased the clothing store in 1931 from J. A. Meyers. They carried a complete line of men, women and children's clothing. After the death of Mr. Gingery, she continued the business until her recent illness. The business was first opened in 1911 as a dry goods store.

Services were held at 10 a.m. today in St. Joseph Catholic Church and burial was in Calvary Cemetery. Father Adam Schmitt officiated. Rosary and D of I services were held Wednesday evening at the McKee Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gingery was born May 15, 1898, in Garrett, to Michael and Mary (Byanski) Krus. She was married to Laird M. Gingery. He died in 1946.

Survivors are one brother, Frank Krus, 300 South Hamsher street; two sisters, Mrs. B. A. Johnson, 504 South Johnson street; and Mrs. Helen Rothwell, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Gingery was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Rosary Society and Daughters of Isabella.

Veronica Gingery

GARRETT — Veronica C. Gingery, 80, 300 S. Hampsher St., Garrett, died Monday night at Fort Wayne Healthcare Center.

Mrs. Gingery was born May 15, 1898 in Garrett, the daughter of Michael and Mary Krus. She was married to Laird M. Gingery, who preceded her in death in 1946.

Mrs. Gingery was the owner and operator of Gingery Department Store in Garrett.

Surviving are one brother, Frank Krus, Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. B. A. Johnson, Garrett; and Mrs. Helen Rothwell, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Gingery was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic church and the Rosary Society.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with the Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery.

A rosary vigil service will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home in Garrett, where calling will be after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Jack Gibson's father dies

11-6-78

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, Portland, for John H. Gibson, 64, father of Garrett High School assistant principal Jack Gibson. He died Thursday at his home after a lengthy illness. Burial was in Gravel Hill Cemetery in Bryant, Ind.

Mr. Gibson was born May 22, 1914 in Auglaize County, Ohio, and was a retired factory worker. He married the former Idora Moore and she survives.

Other survivors in addition to the son in Garrett are one daughter, Patricia Gibson, Portland; two brothers, four sisters; and two grandchildren.

The family requested that memorials be made to the Jay County Cancer Fund.

Services held for Harvey E. Hjelm

11-6-78

Services were held Saturday afternoon at the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, at 1:30 p.m. for Harvey E. Hjelm, 81, of 100 North Taylor Road, who died of complications Thursday at 9:05 a.m. at the Garrett Community Hospital. Mr. Hjelm had been ill for over a year and a half and had been in the hospital since Oct. 19.

He was born June 3, 1898, at Chesterton, Ind., the son of Swen and Louise (Carlson) Hjelm. On June 6, 1926, he married Clara H. Howard who survives. Also surviving are two sons, William, Garrett, and Harvey Jr., Fort Collins, Colo.; and a daughter, Mrs. Richard (Louise) Mawhorter of Cincinnati, O.; seven grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Hjelm was employed by the Borden Company for 21 years and then moved to Ligonier where he farmed 21 years before coming to Garrett ten years ago. He was a member of the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn.

Rev. Wayne E. Smith, pastor of the Auburn Bible Baptist Church, officiated and was assisted by Rev. Chester Doden. Burial was in Cosperville Cemetery, Wawaka. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Adam Kobiela dies, funeral Tuesday

11-6-78

Adam S. Kobiela, 75, 318 South Guilford street, and lifelong resident of Garrett, died at 7 a.m. Sunday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient since Friday. He had been in failing health for 10 years and a heart condition was listed as the cause of death.

Calling will be at McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. today. Rosary Society will hold services at 7:45 p.m. this evening. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Mr. Kobiela was born Oct. 21, 1903, in Garrett to John and Leona (Byanski) Kobiela. He married Rachel Rice Aug. 26, 1936, in Auburn. She survives. He was a retired employe of the B & O Shops.

Other survivors include two sons, John P., 511 South Cowen street, and Thomas M. 516 West Houston street; one daughter, Mrs. Carl Fosnaugh, 319 South Randolph street; one sister, Miss Marion Kobiela, 310 South Hamsher street, and seven grandchildren.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Holy Name Society and Harvest House.

Funeral held for Chester Ludwig

11-6-78

Funeral services were conducted at the Chalfant-Perry Funeral Home in Fort Wayne Saturday for Chester Ludwig, former executive of Electric Motors and Specialities Inc., Garrett. He died at 9:37 p.m. Thursday of a heart attack after being ill at his home since the first of the week.

Born March 12, 1906, in Fort Wayne, he had lived in the area most of his life. He retired from Electric Motors in 1972 after 30 years with the firm. He was still secretary of the corporation. In addition to his wife who survives, he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. John (Joan) Schick of Indianapolis, and four grandchildren.

Mr. Ludwig was a member of the Scottish Rite in Fort Wayne. Summit City Masonic Lodge 170, Fort Wayne; the BPO Elks, Garrett, Lions Club (served as president in 1955) and the Garrett Chamber of Commerce.

He was chairman of the DeKalb County Red Cross in 1966 and was a member of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce. In 1966 he was named to the personnel and labor relations committee and in 1968 was named to the conference, seminars and congressional issues committee for the state Chamber of Commerce.

He was also a member of the Forest Park United Methodist Church in Fort Wayne, and Rev. Albert Nunnery, pastor of the St. Marks church, Decatur, officiated at the funeral.

Burial was in Prairie Township Cemetery, Huntertown.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice, according to the family.

November 6, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Funeral Wednesday for George Schewe

11-6-78

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at McKee Funeral Home for George B. Schewe, 67, Riverdale, Ga., a former resident of 1106 South Ijams street. He was dead on arrival at 11:30 p.m. Friday at Clayton General Hospital, Riverdale. Rev. Richard L. Watt, pastor of the First Baptist Church will officiate and burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Mr. Schewe was born Sept. 5, 1911, a son of Frank and Jane (Seybert) Schewe. He was employed at Garrett Flexible Products for 10 years, Cooper Tire for seven years and retired in 1976. He served in the U. S. Army during World War II and was a member of the V. F. W.

Survivors include two sons, George Schewe Jr. and Albert E. Schewe, Riverdale; one step-son, James Koch, New Orleans, La.; three daughters, Mrs. Wayne (Terry) Rowe, Auburn; Miss Lisa Schewe, Riverdale; Mrs. Dorothy Lee, Illinois; two brothers, Albert, Riverton, Ill.; Hank, Springfield, Ill.; one sister, Mrs. Ted (Dorothy) Kahn, Chaska, Minn.; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

November 9, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Mother of Robert Smith dies

11-9-78

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 1 p.m. at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, for Mrs. Rosa (Smith) Muesing, 95, of Kendallville, mother of Robert Smith of 805 South Cowen street.

Mrs. Muesing was a patient at the Colonial Crest Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, and had been in failing health for the past three years. She died of complications at 12:20 a.m. Tuesday.

She was born Sept. 3, 1883, at Kendallville, the daughter of the late John and Fredricka (Witt) Fritz. In 1901 she married Jesse Smith who died in 1940. In 1943 she married William Muesing who died in 1965.

Surviving besides the son in Garrett are sons, Russel Smith, Auburn; Harold Smith, Kendallville; and Howard Smith of Kansas City, Mo.; two daughters, Mrs. Josephine Strang, Marshall, Mich., and Mrs. Jessie Haynes, Auburn; 16 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; two brothers, Albert Fritz, Kendallville, and Charles Fritz, Fort Wayne. A daughter Mrs. Marjorie Magnuson Diederich preceeded her in death.

Mrs. Muesing was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Kendallville, and for many years was active in the Ladies Aid of the church.

Rev. Kenneth J. Gerike, pastor of the St. John's Lutheran Church will officiate with burial at Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

November 13, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Waterloo man dead in auto-van crash

11-13-78

Ralph Harvey, 45, Waterloo, was killed and a Michigan man was injured in a two-car collision on U.S. 6, one mile west of Butler, Sunday morning at 3 a.m.

State Police said the other vehicle, a van driven by Richard E. Long, 35, Sturgis, Mich., crossed the centerline and crashed almost headon into the Harvey auto. Harvey, pinned in the wreckage of his car, was dead at the scene. His body was removed by rescue teams from the Butler Police Department, Butler Fire Department and the Waterloo Fire and Rescue Squad.

Long was eastbound and Harvey was enroute west when the crash occurred on wet pavement. Harvey suffered massive head injuries, and Long, who was taken to Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, suffered severe lacerations to the chin, right knee, left thigh and both arms. He also suffered a broken wrist and a broken leg. His condition was listed as serious.

Harvey is survived by two sons, two daughters, four brothers and five sisters.

Services will be held in Butler at the Johnson Funeral Home at 2 p.m. Tuesday. Calling will be after 7 p.m. tonight at the funeral home.

Former resident dies in California

Nov. 16-78

Agnes Sobraske, a sister of Mrs. L. Dale Green, both former Garrett residents, died at Laguna Hills, Calif., Sunday at 6:30 p.m. She is also the aunt of John Costin of 521 South Peters street.

She is also survived by her husband, Joseph Sobraske, Laguna Hills; one son, one daughter, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all of California.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Dale Green now live in Laguna Hills, Calif., at the following address: 238 East Calle Aragon.

No information is available as to funeral arrangements.

Brother of Wilma Crabill dies

11-16-78

Funeral services were held at the Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Albion, for Ralph E. Judd, 58, brother of Mrs. Max Crabill of 614 East Keyser street. He died at the Whitley County Hospital where he had been a patient for two days. He had been in failing health since 1974.

He was born Jan. 14, 1920, a son of Clarence and Effie Judd and spent most of his life in and around Albion. He and Agnes Skidgel were married in 1947 and she survives. He was an employe of Fruehauf Corporation in Fort Wayne when ill health forced his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, one son, one daughter, two grandchildren, five brothers, and three other sisters besides Mrs. Crabill.

The Rev. Franlin Orr, pastor of the Merriam Christian Church officiated at the services Monday and interment was in Christian Chapel Cemtery.

Funeral today for Lillian Martin

11-16-78

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home today at 1:30 p.m. for Lillian G. Martin, 77, who died at the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla at 11:45 p.m. Monday.

Born Sept. 8, 1901, in Chicago to William and Wilhemina (Damrow) Gehring, she had lived in Garrett for 46 years. She and Charles K. Martin were married Dec. 1, 1928, in Ogden, Utah and he preceeded her in death in 1965. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Roy (Dorothy) Williams of 502 South Britton street; two step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted by Ron Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church, and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Martin was a retired secretary to the Chief Clerk of the B & O railroad in Garrett and lived at 210 South Randolph street.

Funeral Friday for Mary Jo Steward

11-16-78

Private funeral services will be held at the Altarstar United Methodist church, Cedar Chapel, Friday at 2 p.m. for Mary Jo Steward, 50, Rt. 1, Garrett, who died Tuesday enroute to Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Steward was born April 1, 1928 to Phillip and Vernie Cool in Auburn. Her mother survives. Mrs. Steward had lived in the area for the past 17 years and worked as a switchboard operator at the Garrett Community Hospital.

She married Ralph E. Steward in Auburn on Sept. 24, 1960 and he survives.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. Thursday at Dilgard Cline Funeral home, Auburn, and from noon until 2 p.m. Friday at the church.

Philomena Conner dies, services set

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the McKee Funeral Home for Philomena Conner, 73, who died Sunday at 1:18 a.m. at the Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been in failing health for several years with a heart condition.

Born June 14, 1905 in Olney, Illinois, she had been a resident here for 17 years at 210½ West King street. She and Benjamin F. Conner were married in 1924 in Indianapolis and he preceeded her in death in 1962.

Mrs. Conner is survived by three sons, William H. Sherwood, 1100 South Lee street, Oliver I. Conner of Swansboro, N.C.; and Benjamin F. Conner of Hamilton, Mich.; ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Calling is after 2 p.m. today.

11-20-78

Former Garrett businessman dies

Former Garrett businessman, Donald M. Curtis, 66, now of Bradenton, Fla., died Tuesday in Blake Memorial Hospital, Bradenton. He had owned and managed Curtis Heating Company in Garrett in the 1950's and 60's.

Surviving are his wife, Lois K.; two daughters, Mrs. Lewis Fritz, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Paul Cumston, Fort Landerdale, Fla.; and two sons, Donald James Curtis, Wolcottville and Gary Curtis, Hudson.

Memorial services were conducted Thursday in Griffith-Price Chapel, Bradenton.

11-20-78

Services held for Leona Miller

Funeral services were held at the St. Joseph Catholic Church Saturday at 10 a.m. for Leona C. Miller, 78, who died at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the Garrett Community Hospital. Complications were listed as the cause of death. She had been a patient at the hospital since Nov. 4.

Born Nov. 6, 1900, in Garrett to Mr. and Mrs. Constantine Paluszak, she had lived here all her life. She and Oswald Miller were married May 18, 1923, and he preceeded her in death in 1971.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Collins Redmond, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Lynnwood, Wash.; Mrs. James Bonkoski, 614 South Randolph street; two sons, John J. Miller, Arlington, Va.; and William C. Miller, Waterloo. She is also survived by one sister, Sister Mary Cecilia Paluszak, Dayton; 15 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Rosary Society of the St. Joseph Catholic church.

Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of the St. Joseph Catholic church, officiated at the services and burial was in Calvary Cemetery. Rosary services were conducted at the McKee Funeral Home at 8 p.m. Friday.

11-20-78

Rites held today for Leo Schlosser

Services were held at 10 a.m. this morning at St. Michael's Catholic Church, North of Waterloo, with Father Matthew Lange officiating for Leo A. Schlosser, 70, Rt. 2, Waterloo, brother to Mrs. Germaine Hollis and Mrs. Minnie Hollis, Garrett.

Mr. Schlosser died at 6 a.m. Friday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient for the past two weeks. He was born in Smithfield Township on April 7, 1908 and was a lifetime resident of DeKalb County. He was a farmer.

He is survived by the two Garrett sisters, two other sisters, Mrs. Helen Frick, Waterloo and Mrs. Kathryn Dunn, Waterloo; and one brother, Ed of Waterloo.

Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of arrangements and burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Herman Diederich buried Saturday

11-20-78

Funeral services were held at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Saturday at 1:30 p.m. for Herman W. Diederich, 80, retired auto mechanic, who died at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 12:35 a.m. Thursday.

Born Oct. 24, 1898 in Michlenburg, Germany, he had been a resident here for 18 years. He lived at 908½ West King street. He and Ida L. Meyer were married Aug. 20, 1927 and she preceeded him in death. He is survived by a brother, Fred, 108 Second Street, Garrett; and one sister, Emma Nott, 908 West King street.

Pastor Anthony L. Smith, pastor for the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the church building fund.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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11-22-78

Funeral today for Anna Smith, 71

Funeral services will be at the United Presbyterian Church at 1:30 p.m. today for Anna R. Smith, 71, Rt. 1, Waterloo. She formerly lived at 116 South Walsh street, Garrett. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor, will officiate and burial will be in the Hamilton Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith died at 7:40 p.m. Sunday at Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton, where she had been a patient for two weeks. A heart condition was listed as the cause of death.

She was born Oct. 23, 1907, in Grant County to John and Zona (Wolff) Rodabaugh and married Ray Smith Oct. 22, 1927, in Angola. She was retired from Tokeim Corp., Fort Wayne, as a draftsman.

Survivors include her husband, Ray; three daughters, Mary Lou Trainer, Rt. 1, Garrett; Margaret Ellen Muzzillo, Wabash; Elnora Myers, Greenfield; two sisters, Dora Mock, Bryan, Oh.; Dona Shultz, Grabill; and 13 grandchildren.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the United Presbyterian Church, Garrett; Harmony Chapter of Eastern Star and Viginti Matres Club. Eastern Star held services at Baidinger Walter Funeral Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m.

Friends may call at the church after 11 a.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the Presbyterian Church.

Baidinger Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, was in charge of arrangements.

November 27, 1978

Garrett Clipper

11-27-78

Former Garrett dentist dies

Well known former Garrett dentist, Dr. Roscoe M. Barnard, 89, died at 3:40 a.m. Sunday at Milner Community Health Care Center, Rossville, In., where he had resided one week.

Dr. Barnard practiced in Garrett 45 years, retiring in 1959 and moving to Burlington, Ind., where he had resided since that time. He graduated from Indiana Dental School, Indianapolis, in 1913 and began his practice in Garrett above the former Little's Hardware at 115 West King street. On Oct. 18, 1951, he opened his new office at 114 West King street, the former Sheets Studio, now the location of the Garrett State Bank. Dr. D. K. Jeffery joined his practice on July 5, 1951, and continued on after Dr. Barnard retired March 2, 1959.

He was a life member of the American Dental Association, Indiana Dental Association, Isaac Knapp District Dental Society and the Elks Lodge. He served four years as Exalted Ruler of Garrett Lodge.

Dr. Barnard was born Dec. 2, 1888, in Carroll County to Charles and Elizabeth (Clingenpeel) Barnard. He was married Oct. 14, 1914, to Nellie M. Tenbrook and she preceded him in death May 15, 1974.

Surviving are one brother, Russell, Rt. 1, Bringhurst, Ind.; one sister, Mrs. Ova Ferguson, Burlington, and several nieces and nephews.

Calling will be after 2 p.m. today at the Neptune Funeral Home, Burlington, where services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday. Rev. Arthur A. Schenck, retired pastor of the United Methodist Church will officiate and burial will be in Maple Lawn Cemetery, Flora.

11-29-78

Mary Kramer, 88, dies at Toledo

Mary C. Kramer, 88, former resident of Garrett, died Saturday at the Edgewood Nursing Home, Toledo, Ohio, where she had been a resident for over three years. She had formerly lived at 601 South Cowen street.

Born Aug. 9, 1890, at Bellview, Oh., to John T. and Bridget A. (Neville) Walsh. She was married Nov. 25, 1920, at Fostoria, Oh., to Joseph C. Kramer who preceded her in death Dec. 19, 1967.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Kramer was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rosary Society and a past president of the D. of I.

Calling will be at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Rosary Society will hold services tonight at 7:45. The funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

11-29-78

Services Tuesday for Geo. Shields

Former Garrett resident, George W. Shields Jr., 50, died Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Veterans Administration Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been residing in Churubusco since 1970. He had been in failing health one year.

Calling will be at the McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday with Charles Davis, American Legion Chaplin officiating, assisted by Lawrence Lung, who will conduct graveside services. The Churubusco American Legion will hold graveside military rites and members will serve as pallbearers.

Mr. Shields was born Feb. 11, 1928, in Fort Wayne to George W. Sr. and Clota (Bherns) Shields and she survives. He was a World War II Army veteran and worked at Zollners, Fort Wayne.

Other survivors besides the mother at the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, are three sons, Hershell and Walter E., Garrett; James, Sarasota, Fla.; one daughter, Miss Cheryl Shields, Fort Wayne; three step-daughters, Mrs. Anna O'Neill, Union City, Mich.; Mrs. Kleota Mason, Auburn; Mrs. Doris J. Smith, Waterloo; two stepsons, William E. Addis, Tuscon, Ariz.; Mitchell E. Addis, Sturgis, Mich.; 20 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was a member of the Churubusco American Legion Post 157 and chaplin the past two years, Garrett V.F.W. and the 40 and 8, Churubusco. He attended the Church of Christ.

Kenneth Kammerer, 58, killed in B&O mishap

11-30-78

Kenneth N. Kammerer, 58, 600 South Lee street, was killed instantly at approximately 3 a.m. Wednesday morning when he was struck by a freight train while working in the B & O yards at Hamler, Ohio.

Mr. Kammerer, a brakeman for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, was switching cars on a freight train when the accident occurred. The crew was E. D. Howard, engineer; N. J. Wilondek, conductor; and H. M. Woodward, head man, all from Garrett.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Friday with James Platner, minister of the First Church of Christ, officiating. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the American Legion. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Kammerer was born April 19, 1920, in Garrett to Nathan and Mary (Kobi) Kammerer. He married Joan Carper in Garrett on June 10, 1945, and she survives. He served in the army during World War II.

Other survivors include one son, Larry, at Reese Air Force Base, Lubbock, Texas; one sister, Mrs. Thomas Wilondek, 405 West Warfield street; one half-sister, Mrs. Wes Brooks, Ravenna, Mich.; and two grandchildren.

He was a member of The First Church of Christ, B.P.O. Elks, Eagles, American Legion Post 178 and the Moose Lodge.

Services today for Lee A. Johnson

11-30-78

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the St. Joseph Catholic Church for Lee A. Johnson, 312 South Guilford street, who died Tuesday at 12:25 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient since Nov. 16. He had been ill several years and complications were listed as the cause of death. Rev. Adam Schmitt will conduct the funeral services and burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery.

He was born Jan. 1, 1902, in Garrett to John and Antonia (Oskawski) Johnson. He and Anna Kopp were married Oct. 28, 1925, at Continental, Ohio and she survives.

He is also survived by three brothers, Joseph, Avilla, Steve and Andrew, Chicago, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Wojie, Rolling Meadows, Ill.; and Mrs. Leo (Angelia) Kinney, Garrett. He was a retired B & O maintenance employe.

He was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Chrurch. Rosary services were held at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home which was in charge of the services.

Elsa Rhetts rites held at Marion

11-30-78

Mrs. Elsa Rhetts, 83, of Marion, mother of C. C. Rhetts Jr. of 110 West Third avenue, died last Sunday morning in the Marion General Hospital of complications.

Services were held Wednesday morning at Marion with burial at Indianapolis.

Surviving besides the son in Garrett are: the husband, C. C. Rhetts Sr., a son, George, Marion; a daughter, Mrs. Harriett Wooldridge, Winfield, Kansas; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

November 30, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Auburn man killed in two-truck crash

11-30-78

Dwight A. Sherek, 24, Auburn, was killed instantly Monday afternoon when the tanker truck he was driving slammed into the rear of a semi-trailer on Ind. 8, at County Road 19.

State Police said he died of head injuries and multiple fractures. It was reportedly Sherek's first day driving for the Lesser Oil Co.

Sherek was westbound on Road 8 when he crashed into the rear of the semi, which had stoped to make a left turn onto County Road 19.

The driver of the semi, Clayton L. Straw, 62, Bronson, Mich., was treated and released at DeKalb Memorial Hospital for minor injuries.

Sherek's tanker was carrying about 1,700 gallons of gasoline, according to owner Russ Lesser.

State Police were assisted by DeKalb County Police and Auburn firemen, who sprayed foam on the spilled gasoline to prevent a fire or explosion.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at the Indian Village Church of God. Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Sherek is survived by his wife, Deborah, his parents, a brother and three sisters.

Carl A. Wetoskey dies; services held

11-30-78

Carl A. Westoskey, 86, 110 South Lee street, died Monday at 2:30 p.m. from complications. He had been in failing health for seven months.

Mr. Wetoskey was born Sept. 6, 1892, in Waterloo, to John and Magalina (Shoudel) Wetoskey. He was married Nov. 19, 1913, to Edith Gaeb in Waterloo. She preceded him in death in February 1974. He was a farmer and retired in 1957.

Survivors include three sons, Mainard, Fremont, Oh.; Carmon, Waterloo; Carl Jr., New Haven; four daughters, Mrs. John (Sylvia) Myers, Mrs. Job (Geraldine) Malcolm, Miss Shirley Wetoskey, all of Garrett; Mrs. Cecil (Berniece) Graves, Port Clinton, Oh.; two sisters, Mrs. Anna Voght, Florida; Mrs. Clara Ellert, Ashley; 24 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren. One son, Virgil, preceded him in death in 1948.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. today at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Rosary services were held at McKee Funeral Home Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m.

December 4, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Garrett residents brother dies

12-4-78

Services were held last Wednesday for Frank Johnson, 81, Detroit, a native of Garrett. Mr. Johnson died of a heart attack at his home last Monday. He had not been ill.

He married the former Neva Stury, who survives. Other survivors are four brothers, Tom Johnson, 1107 South Franklin street; Paul Johnson, Chicago; Florian, 309 South Hamsher street; and Albert Johnson of 518 South Peters street; a sister, Margaret Johnson of 315 South Hamsher street; several nieces and nephews including William Faust, Michigan State Senator.

Mr. Johnson was a boilermaker on the B. & O. Railroad and them moved to Fort Wayne a short time before moving to Detroit. He worked for the Ford Motor Co., Detroit, for 50 years.

Services were held in Detroit with burial in St. Hyacinth Cemetery, Detroit.

Funeral today for Ilene Maurer, 74

12-4-78

Mrs. Ilene G. Maurer, 74, Union street extended, died at 5:58 a.m. Saturday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient one day. She had been in failing health one year anc cancer was the cause of death.

Mrs. Maurer was born Feb. 13, 1904, at Concord to George and Genevive (Hull) Johnson. She and Oliver P. Maurer were married March 24, 1927, at St. Joe, and had lived at their current address since that time.

Survivors include her husband, five sons, Paul, Zephyrhills, Fla.; Wayne, Rt. 1, Corunna; Herbert, Herman and Wilbur, Rt. 1, Garrett; two daughters Mrs. Walter Dauber, Rt. 1, Bronson, Mich.; Mrs. Maynard Gray, Sturgis, Mich.; one brother, Arthur Johnson, Auburn; 22 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at McKee Funeral Home with James Platner, minister of The First Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Cancer Fund or The First Church of Christ.

Mrs. Maurer was a member of The First Church of Christ, V. F. W. Auxiliary and the American Legion Auxiliary.

December 7, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Mother of Richard Boyd dies in Mich.

Mildred M. Boyd, 61, Edmore, Mich., mother of Richard Boyd, 604 East Warfield street, died Sunday at Gratiot Community Hospital, Alma, Mich., following an illness of one year. Mr. Boyd is a teacher and coach at Garrett High School.

Mrs. Boyd was born Nov. 30, 1917, in Edmore and was married to Del Boyd who preceded her in death. She was a receptionist at Tri County Community Hospital.

Oher survivors besides the son in Garrett are three daughters, Mrs. Sandra Cattell, Kalamazoo; Miss Sharon Boyd, Alma; Mrs. Shirley Story, Wheeler, Mich.; four brothers, two sisters and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Stebbins Funeral Home, Edmore. Burial was in Vinewood Cemetery, Edmore.

Funeral held for Joseph Johnson

Funeral services were held at the St. Joseph Catholic church Wednesday at 10 a.m. for Joseph T. Johnson, 87, who died of complications at the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, Sunday at 6:16 p.m. He had been a resident there since 1974.

A retired B. & O. railroad machinist, he was born Nov. 2, 1891, in Garrett to John and Antonia Johnson. He had lived at 109 South Johnson street. He and Estella Vanderbosch were married May 30, 1922, in Garrett and she preceeded him in death in 1974.

He is survived by one son, Richard, Chicago; two brothers, Steve and Andrew, Chicago; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Wojie, Rolling Meadows, Ill., and Mrs. Angela Kinney, 412 South Johnson street. In addition, four grandchildren also survive.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic church and Rev. Adam Schmitt officiated at the services. Burial followed in Calvary Cemetery. Rosary services were held at the McKee Funeral Home at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

December 11, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Rites held for George Hofferman

12-11-78

Services were held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at McKee Funeral Home for George E. Hofferman, 72, who died of a stroke at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, Thursday at 7:18 a.m. He had been a patient since Nov. 20.

A retired foundry employee in Garrett and Auburn, he was born May 7, 1906, in Garrett to William and Minnie (Duchow) Hofferman. He lived at 405 North Randolph street.

He is survived by a brother, Earhart Hofferman of 510 North Lee street.

Rev. Allen T. Reed of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church officiated at the services. Burial followed in Christian Union Cemetery.

Funeral Saturday for Toney Howard

12-11-78

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Salyersville, Ky. for Toney Howard, 76, Rt. 1, Garrett, who died Tuesday at 11:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

He had been an employe of Electric Motors in Garrett.

Born May 9, 1902, in Magoffin County, Ky., the son of John and Sally Howard, he and Grace Hicks were married in Pyramid, Ky. She preceded him in death on Jan. 21, 1965.

Surviving are two sons, Ell, Hueysville, Ky., and Ed, Rt. 1, Garrett; four daughters, Mrs. henry (Mary) Isham, 1333 South Cowen street; Mrs. Frank (Milgie) Dennis, Rock Island, Ill.; Mrs. J. W. (Mavis) Vanderpood, 606 South Peters street, and Mrs. Joe (Glenna) Rugman, Auburn; one brother, Graydon, Pyramid, Ky.; one sister, Mrs. Annie Shepherd, Avilla; 19 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Burial will be at the Howard family cemetery in Gunlock, Ky.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home.

Jack Workman's infant son dies

12-11-78

Chad Quincey Workman, 4½-month-old son of Jack A. and Vicki (Emerlin) Workman, of Churubusco, formerly of Garrett, died Tuesday at 8:50 a.m. at home of bronchial pulmonary disease.

Chad, was born at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, on July 24, 1978, was in intensive care for two weeks and from Aug. 7 until Nov. 8 was at Riley Hospital, Indianapolis.

Surviving besides the parents are: four brothers, Jack Allen, Lee, Tony and Jade; a sister, Julie, all at home; the maternal grandfather, Dallas Emberlin, Bluffton; a maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Spencer, Fort Wayne; and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Workman, Albion.

Calling will be after 3 p.m. today. Services will be held at the Krider-Workman Memorial Chapel at 10:30 a.m. Friday with burial at Riverview Cemetery, south of Churubusco. Pastor Marvin Troyer of the Good News Baptist Church will officiate.

December 18, 1978

Garrett Clipper

12-18-78

Rites today for Kendallville woman

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. today for B. Mardelle Davis, Rt. 2, Kendallville, who died at the IU Medical Center, Indianapolis, at 11:30 a.m. Friday. She had been in failing health for the past five years. Charles Davis will officiate at the services.

Born May 15, 1916, near Hamilton, she and Wayne (Steve) Davis were married Jan. 8, 1937, in New Haven and he survives. Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Provines, Auburn; and Miss Connie Davis at home; one brother, George Headly, Phoenix, Ariz., one sister, Mrs. Bernard Lockwood, Rt. 1, Auburn; and one grandchild.

She was a member of the Beacon Baptist Church in Kendallville.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Jennie Lane dies at 100 years old

12-18-78

One of the oldest residents of DeKalb County died Saturday. Jennie M. Lane, 100 years old, died at 5:50 p.m. Saturday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient since Nov. 29.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 3 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Hicksville Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Lane was born May 2, 1878, at Sherwood, Ohio, to Alec and Sarah (Price) Horn. She married Martin V. B. Lane in Garrett in 1919 and he died July 16, 1955. Mrs. Lane had lived for many years at 615 South Cowen street and in recent years lived with her daughter, Mrs. Clarence (Arlene) Eley Sr., Auburn.

Other survivors besides the daughter include one son, Onan Laughman, Tri Lakes, Rural Route, Columbia City, one step-son, Wendell C. Lane, Kendallville; two step-daughters, Mrs. Eldora Linse, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Leo Dennis, Auburn; four grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Lane was a member of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church, Order of Eastern Star, Hicksville, and Auxiliary of Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

December 26, 1978

Garrett Clipper

Services held for Ina M. Brown, 83

12-26-78

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at McKee Funeral Home for Mrs. Ina M. Brown, 83, who died of complications Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She had resided at the Nursing home since Oct. 24, 1975, and previously at Rt. 1, Avilla.

Mrs. Brown was born in Noble County April 11, 1895, the daughter of the late V. Clare and Mary (Jarrett) Simon. She married Don Brown in 1915 and he died April 13, 1953. A son, Don, preceded them in death, April 3, 1933.

Surviving are three daughters: Mrs. Ruth Ruderman, Huntertown; Mrs. Larry (Shirley) Wiley, Cortez, Fla.; Mrs. Richard (Wilma) Perry, Ligonier; three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

She was a member of the Emanual Lutheran Church, Laotto, and the Home Demonstration Club.

George W. Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, officiated. Burial was at Eel River Cemetery, Churubusco. Preferred memorials are to the Huntertown or Laotto Fire Departments.

January 2, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Father of Cindy Blair dies

1-2-79

Joseph H. Brady, 56, Grabill, father of Cindy Blair, Garrett, died Wednesday at Parkview Memorial Hospital. He was a native of Chicago and was a route salesman for Coverall Rental Company.

Funeral services were held at D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home at 10 a.m. Saturday. Burial was in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Other survivors besides the daughter in Garrett are his wife, Jean; one son, Mike, Fort Wayne; two other daughters, Cheryl, at home, and Cathy, Fort Wayne; and three brothers.

Frank Handshoe dies at age 55

1-2-79

Frank Handshoe, 55, 108 North Peters street, died Monday at his home.

He was born Sept. 16, 1923, in Kentucky and lived most of his life in Garrett. He was married March 14, 1944, in Knott County, Ky., to Jewell Gayheart and she survives. Mr. Handshoe was employed at Electric Motors & Specialties for 25 years.

Surviving besides his wife are his father, Ellick Handshoe; one son, Charles, Auburn; two daughters, Mrs. Juan (Sally) Quinoney, Auburn, and Miss Paula Handshoe, Garrett; three brothers, John, Garrett; Virgil and Fred, Kentucky; three sisters, Mrs. John (Becky) Sawyers, Wolcottville; Mrs. McGoffin (Sally) Ousley, Lima, Ohio; Mrs. Ellis (Grace) Shepard, Kentucky; and three grandchildren.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday with Rev. Richard Watt, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Former Garrett man shot and killed

1-2-79

Richard D. Weaver, 60, Alburquerque, New Mexico, a former Garrett resident, was shot and killed instantly last Friday at approximately 4:30 p.m. in his office.

An unidentified man, who apparently had been drinking at the time, entered the office of the Mobile Home Court where Mr. Weaver is the District Manager and argued with the manager. Mr. Weaver, who overheard the argument entered the room, saw the man with the gun, who turned on him, and shot and killed him. The manager then struck the assailant and knocked him unconscious. His motive is not known at this time. The gunman is being held in custody pending formal charges.

Mr. Weaver was born July 5, 1918, in Garrett to Dan and Jeanette (Connor) Weaver. He lived in Garrett until entering the U.S. Navy after graduating from Garrett High School.

Survivors include his father, Dan, and step-mother Gladys Weaver of Fort Wayne; his wife, Eleanor; one son, Raymond, Alburquerque; one sister, Mrs. Lyle (Yvonne) Hunter, 609 South Randolph street, and one grandchild.

Full military funeral services will be held Wednesday at French Funeral Home, Alburquerque.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter and Mr. and Mrs. Weaver were unable to attend services due to cancellation of flights at Baer Field, Fort Wayne, and O'Hare airport in Chicago.

January 8, 1979

Garrett Clipper

1-8-79

Former Auburn coach killed in I-69 crash

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. today at the Presbyterian Church, Auburn, for John C. Platt, 49, former football coach and teacher at Auburn and DeKalb High School. He was killed in a car crash near the interchange of I-69 and Ind. 14 at 2:30 a.m. Saturday.

Born Feb. 7, 1929, in Kokomo to John and Mildred Platt, he had graduated from Kokomo High School and then attended Alabama University where he played football. He began coaching at Auburn High School in 1961 and continued until resigning as head coach at DeKalb High School in 1972. He then became a partner in the Habig-Platt Real Estate business in Auburn. He was a member of the Northeast Indiana Board of Realtors and was also a member of the national association.

Mr. Platt and Charlotte Parr were married June 6, 1954, in Decatur, Ga., and she survives. He is also survived by a son, John, Auburn, two daughters, Vicki, Los Angeles, and Teresa, at home; two brothers, Joseph, Charlotte, N. C., and William, Kokomo.

He was a member of the American Legion, having served in the Korean Conflict, the Auburn Elks, Moose Lodge, and Greenhurst Country Club. He was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church and Rev. Ronald Oglesbee, pastor of the church, will officicate at the services. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of the arrangements.

January 15, 1979

Garrett Clipper

1-15-79

Daughter of Carrie Newbauer killed

Funeral services were held Tuesday in Cleveland at the St. Mary of Czestochowa Catholic Church for Thelma Matyjasik, 67, daughter of Carrie Newbauer of 1215 South Cowen street, who died Jan. 5 in an automobile accident.

Born June 3, 1911, in Garrett, she moved from Garrett years ago after marrying John Matyjaskik, who preceeded her in death eight years ago. She is survived by a daughter, Mary Ann Wyderka, Cleveland; a brother, Joseph Newbauer, Saginaw, Mich.; and a sister, Mrs. Robert Rex of 1203 South Ijams. Two grandchildren also survive.

Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery, Cleveland.

Mrs. Rex, Mrs. Carrie Newbauer and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Newbauer attended the funeral.

January 18, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Former resident dies in California

1-18-79

Word has been received by friends of the death of Floyd F. Karns, 82, of Walnut Creek, Calif., formerly of Garrett. Mr. Karns died Monday, Jan. 8, and had been ill for several years.

He had been admitted to a nursing home on Jan. 8 and died at 5 p.m. that evening.

Mr. Karns was born Feb. 2, 1897, in Findlay, O. While in Garrett he was an accountant for the B. & O. Railroad and later a claim agent. He was a member of the B.P.O. Elks in Garrett since May 5, 1923.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth.

1-18-79

Former Garrett businessman dies

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday for Christian R. Sarber, 68, Rt. 3, Big Long Lake. Mr. Sarber owned and operated a coin laundry on Cowen street in Garrett for many years.

Mr. Sarber died Sunday at 2:35 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

He was born Feb. 25, 1910, in Mentone to Isaac and Myrtle (Rockhill) Sarber, and married Geraldine M. Case on Aug. 27, 1940, in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Sarber was a tailor in Fort Wayne and had owned a dry cleaning plant in Butler and Lakeside Speedwash in Kendallville, besides his former business in Garrett.

He was a member of the Wolcottville Methodist Church, the Masonic Lodge in Butler, Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, a charter member of the Noble County Shriner Club and a member of the Shrine of Fort Wayne.

Survivors in addition to his wife, include a daughter, Mrs. Sally B. Pepple, Fort Wayne; a brother, James Sarber, Warsaw; four granddaughters and one great-grandson.

Funeral services were held at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral home with Rev. Gerald Hewson of the Wolcottville Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Noble County Heart Fund.

Services set for William Sleeper

1-18-79

William J. Sleeper, 64, Rt. 2, Avilla, died Tuesday at 12:40 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He is the father of Richard Sleeper, Rt. 1, Garrett.

He was born in Elkhart Sept. 17, 1914, the son of William and Erma (Hammon) Sleeper. He married Evelyn Kurts in July 1938. She preceded him in death in 1969. He then married Lorene (Imler) Downing April 17, 1971. She survives.

Survivors besides his wife and son are another son, James Sleeper, Ashley; one daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Jeraldine) Souder, Kalkaska, Mich.; a stepdaughter, June K. Streets, Kendallville; a stepson, Jack Downing, Kendallville; one sister, Mrs. Merle (Georgie) Newell, Cassopolis, Mich.; three brothers, Fred Sleeper, Kendallville; Don and Carl Sleeper, both of Elkhart; six grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and two step-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Sleeper was a member of the South Milford United Methodist Church and the Moose Lodge of Auburn. He had been a foreman 26 years at Kendallville Foundry.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Ellis Sedlacek of the First Nazarene Church, officiating. Burial will be in South Milford Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home today between 2 and 5 p.m. and 7 and 9 p.m.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Noble County Heart Fund.

January 22, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Services today for Margaret Clabaugh

Mrs. Donald (Margaret E.) Clabaugh, 56, Fort Wayne, a native of Garrett, died Thursday evening at 8:15 p.m. at the Lutheran Hospital. She had been ill for several years and had been a patient at the hospital since the middle of December.

Margaret, the daughter of the late Claude and Marguerite (Hollis) McLaughlin, was born June 15, 1922, in Garrett. On Jan. 8, 1944, she married Donald A. Clabaugh.

Surviving besides the husband are three daughters: Connie L. and Darlene J., at home, and Mrs. Ron (Mary F.) Schoenle, Fort Wayne; and two sons: Larry and Dennis, also of Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Berniece Kott of Los Angeles, Calif.; and three grandchildren.

She was a member of St. Henry's Catholic Church, Fort Wayne, Rosary Sodality, Hillcrest Bowling League, and a past president of Alpha Rho Chapter, Psi Iota Xi Sorority.

Rosary Sodality services were held at 3 p.m. Sunday.

A prayer service will be held this morning at 10 a.m. at the Klaehn South Anthony Chapel with services at 10:30 a.m. at St. Henry's Catholic Church. Father James O'Connor will officiate. Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Funeral today for James E. Ditmar

1-22-79

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. today at the Ark of Jesus Church, Garrett, for James E. Ditmar, 54, Rt. 1, Avilla, who died at 10:30 a.m. Friday after an illness of three years.

Born Nov. 30, 1924, in DeKalb County, he had been a resident of Noble County for the past 26 years. He was veteran of the U. S. Navy during WW2 and was an employe of Northern Indiana Public Service — Natural Gas Division.

He was married in Laotto to Wilma Little April 28, 1952, and she survives. In addition he is survived by four sons, Bob and James E. Jr. at home; Roger, Fort Wayne; James, Galesburg, Mich.; one daughter, Mrs. Don Lortie, Churubusco; three brothers, Lawrence, Avilla; Edwin, Galesburg; Harlan, Goshen; five sisters, Mrs. Edward Schubert, Indianapolis; Mrs. Larry Fritz, Mrs. Tom Gibson, Mrs. Betty Simmon, and Mrs. Ruth O'Conner, Fort Wayne; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the Ark of Jesus Church, Garrett, and the Rev. Bessie Arnett, pastor of the church, will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

January 25, 1979

Garrett Clipper

1-25-79

Funeral Friday for Harold Hanes, 68

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, for Harold Hanes, 68, well-known resident of Story Lake, who died Tuesday at 1:40 p.m. after a three-year illness.

Mr. Hanes was a retired auto salesman and owner of Hanes Trailer Park at Story Lake. He is survived by the widow: one daughter, Mrs. Hugh Griffin, Rt. 2, Lagrange; three sisters; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted by Rev. Wayne Davis and he will be assisted by Rev. Carl R. Lott. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Funeral today for Garrett native

1-25-79

Loretta Metzler, 81, Decatur, died at 9:18 a.m. Monday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. She was a native of Garrett but had moved from here many years ago.

She was born Feb. 11, 1897, in Garrett and married Tony Metzler in 1919. He preceded her in death in 1957. Mr. and Mrs. Metzler owned and operated the Douglas Store in Decatur for many years.

The only immediate survivor is one sister, Mrs. R. P. (Angie) Sithen, Kendallville. One sister and two brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. this morning at Winteregg-Linn and Haggard Funeral Home, Decatur. Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery, Decatur.

February 1, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Funeral held for Fort Wayne man

2-1-79

Funeral services were conducted Monday at St. Jude's Catholic church, Fort Wayne, for John A. Fletcher, 87, father of Mrs. Jeanne Sisson, Auburn. He died at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, Friday.

Born July 13, 1891, in New York, he was a retired salesman for Wayne Home Equipment Company. He and Loretta Loffie were married and she survives. Other survivors include one son, Dean; the daughter, Mrs. Sisson; one sister, Evanston, Ill.; and two grandchildren.

D. O. McComb and Sons Funeral Home handled the arrangements. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery.

February 5, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Dona Coil dies, ill five years 2-5-79

Mrs. Dona I. Coil, 68, Rt. 3, Avilla, died at her home Thursday at 4 a.m. after an illness of five years.

She was born Sept. 26, 1910, in Altona, the daughter of the late Ted C. and Fannie Y. (Kooken) Marker. For the past three years they have lived at the Avilla address. On June 18, 1932, she married Harold Coil at Elkhart, and he survives. Also surviving are four sons, Robert and Dennis of Albion; Harold, Muncie; and James, St. Petersburg, Fla.; and a daughter, Mrs. William (Margaret) Hosler, Huntertown, and ten grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday afternoon at the McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Carroll L. McNutt of the Indian Village Church of God, Auburn, officiating. Burial was at Christian Union Cemetery.

February 8, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites held Tuesday for Alice Beber

2-8-79

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, for Alice L. Beeber, 78, Auburn, who died Sunday at 1:45 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was the widow of the late Edgar S. Beeber and they formerly lived in Garrett. Mr. Beeber preceeded her in death in 1969.

She is survived by three sisters-in-law: Mrs. Ruth Welsh and Mrs. Lillian Spade, both of Auburn, and Mrs. Esther Slater, Garrett; one brother-in-law, Cleo Beeber, 318 South Johnson street, and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Beeber was born Sept. 4, 1900, in Carrs, Ky. She was a member of the Easthern Star and First United Methodist Church, both of Willard, O.

Graveside services and burial was in Willard at 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Thomas Pinder Jr. dies at age 40

2-8-79

Final rites will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home for Thomas Pinder, Jr., 40, Thetford, Vermont. He died Monday at 6 p.m. at Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Hanover, New Hampshire.

He was born March 10, 1938, in Fort Wayne to Thomas W. and Lilah (Sebert) Pinder. He married Patricia Broburgh Dec. 26, 1971, at Thetford, Vermont. The only survivors are his wife and mother.

At the time of his death Mr. Pinder was a self-employed carpenter. He had his Doctorate degree in Bio-chemistry and had taught and did research as a bio-chemist at Dartmouth University.

Rev. Kenneth Spencer, pastor of the Maple Grove Unived Methodist Church, and Donald C. Carrel will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Sedan Cemetery. Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Friday.

February 19, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Final rites held for John Grobis

2-19-79

Funeral services were held Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. Gasper's Catholic Church, Wolcottville, for John T. Grobis, 50, a former Garrett resident. He suffered a heart attack at work and died Thursday. He was an employe of Starcraft, Topeka.

Born Nov. 10, 1928, in Avilla, he lived here from 1954 to 1965 before moving to the rural LaGrange area.

He was married to the former Beverly Whonsettler and she survives. Other survivors include four sons, John Charles, Wolcottville; James, Paul and Michael at home; two daughters, Karen McCammon, LaGrange, and Janet Freeman, Martin Lake. Two brothers and two sisters also survive.

Carney Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Funeral Tuesday for Glen Shirk

2-19-79

Glen Shirk, 70, a lifetime resident of Rt. 4, Auburn, died Friday at 1 a.m. at his home. He had been ill since 1971.

Mr. Shirk, a retired farmer, was born April 23, 1908, at Rt. 4, Auburn, to Levi and Nettie (DePew) Shirk. He and Ethel M. Starner were married Oct. 14, 1931, in Garrett. She survives.

Friends may call at the First Baptist Church today after 1 p.m. and until services are held at the church Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. Rev. Richard Watt will officiate and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Surviving besides the wife are five daughters, Mrs. Glen (Kathrine) Camp, Los Alamos, N.M.; Mrs. Lester (Patricia) Bornick, Montillo, Wisc.; Mrs. Barbara Huyette, Grove City, Ohio; Mrs. Richard (Marilyn) Yarde, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Roger (Carol) Miller, Fort Wayne; five sons, Eugene and Carson, Rt. 4, Auburn; Don, Fort Wayne; Joseph, Rt. 4, Columbia City; one brother, Harry, Battle Creek, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Elva Smith, Garrett; and 20 grandchildren. One son, Stephen, died in Viet Nam in 1968.

McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

February 26, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Dr. Klingler dies at Sarosota, Fla.

2-26-79

Word has been received of the death of Dr. Maurice O. Klingler, 74, former Garrett physician and surgeon.

Dr. Klingler died Tuesday at Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, Fla. He moved to Florida in 1962 from Plymouth, Ind.

He was associated with the Garrett Clinic which was founded by his father, Dr. M. E. Klingler. He was a graduate of Indiana Medical School.

He is survived by his wife, Whenohah, two daughters and a sister, Mrs. Sam Heer, Hamilton.

There was no calling or funeral services and the body was cremated.

Services set for Eli B. Mountz, 66

2-26-79

Eli B. Mountz, 66, 219 South Randolph street, was pronounced dead on arrival at 11 a.m. Sunday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was found lying in the alley behind his residence and died of natural causes.

Mr. Mountz was born in January, 1913, in Chicago to Chester L. and Alvia (Rickey) Mountz. He was a retired laborer and his last employment was at Foley Pattern Shop. He had resided in Garrett for the past five years.

Survivors include one brother, Chester, Kendallville; and one sister, Mrs. Marjorie Weler, Gary.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home this evening between 7 and 9 p.m. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

March 1, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Garrett native dies following car accident

3-1-79

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, for a native of Garrett. Mark E. Altimus, 21, Edgerton, O., was born June 21, 1957, in Garrett but had been a resident of Waterloo and Edgerton for most of his life.

He lost control of his car on Ind. 427 east of Hamilton at 12:15 a.m. Saturday when the vehicle slid down a hillside, hit a culvert and became airborne for 66 feet.

Altimus was thrown from the car and received massive head and chest injuries. He was taken to Cameron Hospital in Angola and then transferred to Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. He died four and one-half hours later.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Altimus, two brothers, one sister, one step-brother, two step-sisters and grandparents.

Burial was in Waterloo Cemetery.

March 8, 1977

Garrett Clipper

3-8-79

Services set for Delia J. Bowlby

Delia J. Bowlby, 92, Corona, Calif., formerly of 508 North Franklin street, died Friday in California.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Tuesday. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with Rev. Robert Prinzing, former pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Bowlby was born Aug. 17, 1886, at Pierceton, to William and Frances (Trumble) Snodgrass. She married Jess E. Bowlby April 18, 1907, at Columbia City. He died June 12, 1964. Mrs. Bowlby has resided in California since 1964.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Warren E. (Alma) Stiles, Riverside, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Minnie Smith, Pierceton; and four grandchildren.

Nelson Conkle, 85, dies, services set

3-8-79

Nelson J. Conkle, 85, died Sunday at 6:30 a.m. at Lakeland Nursing Home, Angola, where he had been a patient since May 17, 1978.

Mr. Conkle was born at Ashley, Aug. 24, 1893, to David and Ada (Walsh) Conkle. He married Viola Roop on Dec. 25, 1913, and they resided at 120 South Lee street, Mrs. Conkle survives.

He was a letter carrier here for the U.S. Post Office for 30 years before retiring in 1948. He was a member of the Association of Letter Carriers.

Other survivors besides the wife are two sons, Harold, 210 South Lee street, and Robert, 111 East fifth Avenue; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held at the United Presbyterian Church at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Funeral Friday for John Graham

3-8-79

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, for former DeKalb County Sheriff, John L. Graham, 62, who died at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Graham was operating a road grader for the county department Jan. 31 when he was struck by a B & O locomotive east of Auburn. He had been in critical condition since that time.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; two sons, three brothers and three sisters.

Preferred memorials are to the church or to the DeKalb County Pre-School for Handicapped. Friends may call at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, after 2 p.m. today.

Services Friday for Raymond Weaver

3-8-7

Raymond A. Weaver, 77, of 222 South Cowen street, died at 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, at the Byron Health Center, Fort Wayne. He had been ill for five years and a resident of the health center since May 31, 1978.

Mr. Weaver was born in Garrett, Sept. 12, 1901, to Joseph and Christine (Teders) Weaver. He was a lifelong resident of the community and was employed by Warner Gear, Auburn, as a factory worker. He also worked part time at Bauman-Harnish, Garrett.

He was married to Iva Marie Arens, May 12, 1922, at Hillsdale, Mich., and she survives.

Surviving besides the wife are a daughter, Mrs. Earl (Betty) Creager, 1810 Woodview Drive; a son, Bernard L., Fort Wayne; two brothers, Earl and Dan, both of Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. E. L. (Etta) Kokenge, Auburn; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Weaver was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, where funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday. Rev. Adam Schmitt will officiate with burial following in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Rosary Society will hold services at 7:30 p.m. this evening.

March 12, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Sister of Mrs. Perry Pence dies

3-12-79

Mrs. George (Loretta) Pignotti, 68, Joliet, Ill., died Saturday at the Joliet Hospital. She is the sister of Mrs. Perry Pence, 1201 South Cowen street.

Mrs. Pignotti was born Feb. 4, 1911, in Garrett, to Jacob and Catherine Hollis. She was married to George Pignotti and he survives. Mrs. Pignotti was a registered nurse at the Joliet Hospital.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at St. Johns Catholic Church, Joliet.

She formerly was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and Daughters of Isabella in Garrett.

Other survivors include six nieces and nephews.

March 15, 1979

Garrett Clipper

DeKalb native services Tuesday

3-15-79

Mrs. Laura "Bobbie" Amstutz, 75, of Union Chapel Road, Fort Wayne, a sister of Keith Heffelfinger, of northwest of Garrett, and Taft Heffelfinger, of Huntertown, died at 9:30 p.m. Saturday.

Surviving besides the two brothers are her husband, Merl J.; two daughters of Fort Wayne; a son of Spencerville and three sisters.

Mrs. Amstutz was a native of DeKalb County and a member of the Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church WSCS.

Services were held Tuesday afternoon at the D. O. McComb and Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home with burial in Huntertown Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are gifts to Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church.

Graveside services for Gunion infant

3-15-79

Graveside services were conducted at Cedar Chapel Cemetery Monday at 4 p.m. for Casey Michael Gunion, infant son of Arther and Carol (Rugman) Gunion, Fort Wayne. The baby died at 4:03 a.m. Saturday, shortly after his birth in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his paternal grandparents, William Gunion and Mrs. Beryl Lewis, Garrett; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rugman, Holiday Lakes.

Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

3-15-79

Daisy Kratzer's brother dies

William A. Metzger, 73, of Rome City, a brother of Mrs. Daisy Kratzer of 801 South Cowen street, died at 3:50 p.m. Saturday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Surviving besides the sister in Garrett, are the wife, Goldie, two sons, four stepsons, four step-daughters, a brother, and another sister.

Services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home.

Preferred memorials to the donors choice were requested by the family.

March 18, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Four missing youth found dead in crash

The bodies of four young men, listed as missing for the past two weeks, were found Saturday afternoon in a car under a bridge one-half mile west of the I-69 interchange on State Road 8.

The men were identified Sunday by DeKalb County Coroner Dr. William Hathaway, as David A. Benson, 23, 1207 South Peters street; David W. Spicer, 22, Albion, formerly of Garrett at 808 South Randolph street; Michael F. Bougher, 23, Fort Wayne, and Gordon R. Etzler, 21, Rt. 1, Grabill. All four young men attended Garrett High School.

According to Dr. Hathaway, the young men all died of drowning after the car is believed to have struck a utility pole and plunged front-end first into Peckhart Ditch, which was flooded with heavy rains and melting snow. Police were unaware of the accident because the car was covered by water and obscured by a bridge over the highway.

Sheriff's department spokesman said missing person reports had been filed on all four men two weeks ago with that department and with the Garrett police department.

A property owner who was inspecting his field along the ditch saw the foreign subcompact in the water. It apparently had landed in the water and came to rest in the stream under the middle of the bridge. It could not be seen from the roadway.

The stream was approximately four feet deep two weeks ago, investigating officers said Sunday. When discovered, the water was at the top of the car's wheels and the windshield was broken out, apparently the result of striking the utility pole.

David Benson

Funeral services for David Benson will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

David was born Jan. 30, 1956, at Jackson, Mi., the son of Allen B. and Virginia (Pipers) Benson, 1207 South Peters street. He was an inspector for Indiana Insulated Wire Co., Kendallville. David was a 1974 graduate of Garrett High School.

Other survivors besides the parents are two sisters, Denise, Auburn, and Laura, at home; the parental grandmother, Mrs. Edna Benson, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pipers, all of Jackson, Mich.

David was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

David W. Spicer

Funeral services for David W. Spicer will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Steven C. Archer, former pastor of Sixteen Zion Lutheran Church officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

David was born Oct. 6, 1956, at Baltimore, Maryland, to James and Helen (High) Spicer, Wyoming, Mich., formerly of Garrett. He was employed by Lyall Electrical Co., Ashley plant. He served three years in the U.S. Army and was a 1974 graduate of Garrett High School.

Other survivors besides the parents are one brother, Harvey, Parkville, Mo.; and four sisters, Mrs. Edward (Roberta) Taylor, Bloomington; Mrs. Barbara Dreisbach, Sarasota, Fla.; Kathleen, Madison, Tenn.; and Susan, Sandusky, Ohio.

David was a member of Sixteen Zion Lutheran Church.

Michael F. Bougher

Funeral arrangements are pending for Michael F. Bougher at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn.

He is survived by his father, Tom Bougher, with whom he made his home; his mother, Mrs. Jacqui Bougher, Garrett, five brothers, Tim, Dan, John, Kevin and Gregg, all of Garrett, and one sister, Mary Bougher, Fort Wayne.

Gordon R. Etzler

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday for Gordon R. Etzler at the D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, with burial in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Etzler, Leo; a sister, Carol Matthews, Kendallville; a brother, Bruce, Lafayette, and a grandmother, Hazel Etzler, Fort Wayne.

March 19, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Former resident, Ralph Elam, dies

3-19-79

Ralph Steele Elam, 72, of Timber Village, Groveland, Fla., a brother of John Elam of south of Garrett, died Sunday, March 11.

Mr. Elam was ~~born in Garrett~~ and moved from Auburn in 1973 to Groveland. He was in the tire recapping service and sales business.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy George Elam. Besides the brother, John, are two other brothers, George, Houston, Tex.; and Bernard, Cincinnati, O.; three sisters: Mrs. Alma Connors, North Manchester; Mrs. Lucille Lister, Groveland, Fla., and Mrs. Evelyne Milks, Phoenix, Ariz.

Mr. Elam was a member of the Edge Memorial United Methodist church, Groveland; F. & A. M. Lodge 214, Auburn; Scottish Rite and Mizpah Shrine, Fort Wayne.

Graveside services were held Wednesday at Oak Hill Cemetery, Clermont, Fla. The Kurfiss Funeral Home were in charge of arrangements.

March 22, 1979

Garrett clipper

3-22-79

Services held for Betty Gordon, 59

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the United Methodist Church for Mrs. Elizabeth A. (Betty) Gordon, 59, 111 East King street, who died Monday at 7:35 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Gordon was born May 26, 1919, in Garrett to Don Van Fleit and Marian (Merica) Van Fleit. Her father survives. She married Roger Gordon Dec. 25, 1948, in Garrett.

She graduated from Garrett High School in 1935 and received her degree in education and Masters Degree from Indiana University. She formerly was a math and history teacher in the Washington, Ind., and Elmhurst, Fort Wayne, high schools. She has been office manager of The Garrett Telephone Company since 1953.

Mrs. Gordon assisted with the organization of the city swim program for children in the community. Over a period of 18 years, beginning in 1953, she helped over 6,000 children learn to swim. She also initiated the Red Cross Lifesaving program and served as Red Cross aquatic director for DeKalb County for several years.

The "Citizen of the Year" award was bestowed upon her in 1972 for her outstanding work in the swimming program.

Other survivors besides her husband and father are one brother, Dr. William E. Van Fleit, South Bend; two sisters, Mrs. Earl (Mary Ruth) Clark, 609 Oakleaf Drive, and Mrs. Don (Kate) Kleeman, 1009 South Randolph street. One sister, Mrs. Barbara Painter, preceeded her in death.

Mrs. Gordon was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church, 20th Century Club and American Legion Auxiliary.

Pastor Ronald Bowman, pastor of the church, officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the United Methodist Church or the Kidney Foundation.

March 26, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Funeral held for auto crash victim

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Deborah S. (McCullough) Neukom, 25, Auburn, formerly of Garrett.

Mrs. Neukom was killed in a tragic accident Sunday night near Bethesda, Ohio, when the van she was riding in rolled over along I-70 in the east-central part of the state. She was a passenger in a van-truck driven by her husband, Dale D. Neukom Jr., also formerly of Garrett.

The couple had been attending a dog show in Steubenville, Ohio, and were en route home when the accident occurred. Mr. Neukom is employed by Roy Jones Dog Shows of Auburn.

According to Ohio State Patrol officers, Neukom was westbound on I-70, towing a utility trailer, when the vehicle began to fish-tail. Neukom lost control, went into the median and spun around. Neukom was treated for cuts and bruises at a Barnesville, Ohio, hospital and released.

Mrs. Neukom was born Sept. 28, 1953, in Garrett to Robert McCullough, 901 South Randolph, and Mrs. Norma Workman, 1702 South Road, and they both survive. She married Dale Neukom, Jr. on Jan. 14, 1978, in the Garrett United Methodist Church. She was employed as an assistant manager at Lucky Steer, Auburn.

Other survivors include a son, Peter Nicholas, at home, one brother, Randy McCullough, Fort Wayne, and one sister, Mrs. Steven (Cathy) Wells, 901 South Randolph street.

Pastor Ronald Bowman conducted the funeral services at the McKee Funeral Home and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Debbie Neukom killed in accident

Mrs. Debbie (McCullogh) Neukom, Auburn, was killed Sunday night in an auto accident at Bethesda, Oh. She is the wife of Dale D. Neukom, formerly of Garrett. He is in a Barnsville, Oh., hospital. The extent of his injuries were not available at press time.

Mrs. Neukom is the daughter of Norma Workman, 1702 South Road and Robert McCullogh, Garrett. Mr. Neukom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Neukom, 605 South Ijams Street. The young couple were returning from a dog show. No further details were available.

Funeral arrangements are pending at McKee Funeral Home.

MARCH 22, 1979

April 2, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Howe man killed in fiery 3-car crash

4-2-79

AHowe man was killed Friday night at 6 p.m. on State Road 8, near Avilla, when he attempted to pass a Garrett woman's car in a no-passing zone and struck an on-coming car.

According to Indiana State Police, Otha Penny, 67, was passing an auto driven by Sandra Steller, 25, Garrett, in a no-passing zone about one mile east of Avilla. An approaching vehicle, driven by John Williams Jr., 21, Rt. 1, Avilla, hit the victim's auto head-on at the crest of a hill, both vehicles bursting into flames. The victim's car then became airborne and came down atop the Steller vehicle.

Williams is in critical condition in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, suffering from broken legs, a fractured chest, broken ribs, a collapsed lung and facial lacerations. He was pinned in his auto for an hour.

A passenger in the Williams car, Diane Clark, 15, Avilla, was treated and released at McCray Hospital, Kendallville, with lacerations to her head and left leg. Steller was also treated and released at McCray Hospital with lacerations and abrasions.

April 5, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Graveside services set for stillborn

4-5-79

Graveside services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn, for Michael S. Gillespie. He was stillborn Tuesday at 12:12 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include the parents, Steven and Pamela (Myers) Gillespie, 116½ East King street; a sister, Pamela, at home; the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Myers, Auburn; and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gillespie, Avilla.

Rev. Michael Hervey of Calvary Chapel, Garrett, will officiate. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Services held for Estell Miller

4-5-79

Mrs. Estell M. Miller, 404 South Franklin street, died Monday at 10:25 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient since March 20.

Mrs. Miller was born at Summit to Bert and Effie (Salander) Conrad and was a longtime resident of Garrett. She was retired from Mutual Jobbing Company. Her husband, Neil E. preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Ward, Waterville, Ohio, a sister, Mrs. Georgia Milks, Fort Wayne, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at McKee Funeral Home Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. with Pastor Ronald Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Circle Cemetery, Hudson. The Order of Eastern Star held services Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church, Eastern Star and Railroad Firemen's Auxiliary Lodge.

Services set for Florence E. Simon

4-5-79

Mrs. Florence E. Simon, 85, lifelong resident of Avilla, died Tuesday at the Lutheran Home, Kendallville, where she had been a patient since March 22, 1978.

Mrs. Simon was born June 6, 1893, to James and Catherine (Graber) Hoot, in Wood County, Ohio. She married Ray Simon Dec. 23, 1915, and he preceeded her in death. A son also preceeded her in death in 1968. Surviving are four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was formerly employed by GE, Fort Wayne, Avilla High School and Avilla Community Bank.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Calvary United Methodist Church, Avilla, of which she was a member. Rev. Emmett L. Anderson, pastor, will officiate and burial will follow in Swan Cemetery.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home, after 5 p.m. today and from 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday.

April 9, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Lois Angel former resident dies

4-9-79

Mrs. Lois L. Angel, 72, of 1810 Huron street, Elkhart, sister of Mrs. Elmer (Wilma) Bartels, 900 South Peters street, died at 1:45 a.m. Sunday in the Elkhart General Hospital. She was admitted to the hospital on Friday.

Mrs. Angel was born at Churubusco and was raised in Garrett. Besides the sister in Garrett she is survived by her husband, Robert; a son, Robert Jr., Elkhart; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren and a brother, Alfred Porter of Fort Wayne.

Services were held Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with the Rev. Paul Clement of the Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Prairie Street Cemetery, Elkhart. Lawson, Stemm and Peterson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartels attended the services.

Wednesday rites for Marie Shoudel

4-9-79

Mrs. Marie G. Shoudel, 80, of 1211 South Cowen street, died Friday at 3:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient since April 1. She had been in ill health for several years.

Mrs. Shoudel was born April 13, 1898 at Ege to Joseph and Martha Jane (Snider) Sobraske and was a lifelong resident of Garrett. She was a librarian at St. Joseph Catholic School. Her husband Charles T. Shoudel died June 30, 1972.

Survivors include a son, Charles, Garrett; two stepsons, Don Shoudel, Fort Wayne, and Carl Shoudel, Palmetto, Fla.; two daughters (Mrs. Earl (Mary Lou) DeWitt, 1219 South Lee street, and Mrs. Richard (Martha) Anderson, Fort Wayne; and a stepdaughter, Miss LaDonna Shoudel, Fort Wayne; two brothers, William Sobraske, Fort Wayne, and Ed Sobraske, Minneapolis, Minn. Three brothers preceded her in death. Two sisters, Mrs. Charlotte Aspel, 118½ East Keyser, and Mrs. Paul (Catherine) Deardoff, Mishawaka; 18 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren also survive.

Services will be held Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Auburn. Calling is after 2 p.m. Tuesday at the McKee Funeral Home. Rosary services will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rosary Society, Daughters of Isabella, Harvest House and the American Legion Auxiliary.

April 16, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for Cicero Christensen

4-16-79

Funeral services will be conducted at the McKee Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. today for Cicero B. Christensen, 73, retired farmer near Laotto. He died at 5:40 p.m. Thursday in the McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, after several years illness.

Born Feb. 27, 1906, in Tallula, Ill., he had lived in this area almost all of his life.

He is survived by three brothers, Elmer and Harvey, of Laotto, and Walter, of Avilla.

Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Emmertt L. Anderson, pastor of Calvary United Methodist Church and burial will be in Swan Cemetery.

April 26, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites held for William Albright

4-26-79

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, for William D. Albright, 69, Rt. 4, Auburn, who died at 11 a.m. Sunday at his home. Mr. Albright was an employe of Garrett Tubular Products.

He was born Feb. 19, 1910, in Union City, Ohio, and married Doris Rook in Franklin, Ohio. She survives. Also surviving are seven sons, Frederick and Bobby Jo of Waterloo; Samuel of 800 South Guilford street; Arthur, Kendallville; Phillip, Trenton, O.; John, Middletown, O.; and Irvin, El Paso, Tex.; one daughter, Mrs. Dale Armstrong, Rt. 4, Auburn; one sister, Jeanette Brumbaugh, of Ohio; 34 grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

Rev. Bessie Arnett of Ark of Jesus in Garrett officiated at the services and burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

May 3, 1979

Garrett Clipper

This photo shows the Johnson Sign Company truck following the accident at the intersection of 327 and 205 Monday in which Mrs. Victoria Ley and her grandson, Jeff Gaar, were killed. 5-3-79

Garrett firemen work feverishly trying to remove the members of the Ley and Gaar family who were pinned in the crushed car for 25 minutes Monday. The Gaar car was hit broadside by a sign truck and both vehicles ended in the field to the east of State Road 327.

May 3, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Double services today for accident victims

5-3-79

A grandmother and her grandson, Victoria J. Ley, 59, 216 West Houston street, and Jeffrey Gaar, 2, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Gaar, 106 East Second Avenue, were killed and two other persons seriously injured when a truck collided broadside with a car at the intersection of Indiana 327 and 205, south of Garrett Monday at 9:55 a.m.

Mrs. Ley and young Jeffrey were pronounced dead at the scene of massive head injuries, according to state police.

Julie Gaar, 5, another passenger, suffered a skull fracture, a broken right arm and multiple lacerations and was listed in critical condition in the intensive care nursery of Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Her mother, Margaret Gaar, 30, also of Garrett, suffered broken ribs and internal injuries and was listed in fair condition at Lutheran Hospital.

According to the state police, "They were so tossed around we couldn't tell who was behind the wheel." It was later determined that Mrs. Gaar was the driver of the car.

The Gaar vehicle was southbound on Indiana 327 and had the right-of-way at the intersection with 205 when it was hit by an eastbound truck driven by Steven Howard, 21, of South Whitley. Howard told police he was driving about 40 miles per hour when he saw the Gaar vehicle. He hit his brakes, but they apparently failed.

The truck hit the car broadside and both vehicles veered off the road and flipped over. The four victims were pinned in the wreckage of the car for more that 25 minutes before they were freed.

Howard complained of bumps and bruises and was treated at DeKalb Memorial Hospital before being released. No charges were filed against him, but police are continuing the investigation.

Mrs. Ley, a lifelong resident of Garrett, is survived by her husband, Charles; two daughters, including Mrs. Gaar, and Connie Ley, at home; one son, Joseph, at home; her father, Frank Bonkoski, 208 South Johnson street; three sisters, Mrs. Joan Carteaux, 217 West Houston street; Mrs. Ronald Shull, Rt. 3, Auburn; and Mrs. Edward Kinney, Bryan, O., and the granddaughter, Julie Gaar.

Mrs. Ley was born Oct. 22, 1919, to Frank and Anna (Malolepsza) Bonkoski in Garrett. She and Charles Ley were married June 22, 1946, in Garrett.

Jeffrey was born March 11, 1977, at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. He is survived by his parents and sister, Julie; maternal grandfather, Charles Ley; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gaar, Rt. 1, Garrett; and maternal great-grandfather, Frank Bonkoski.

Double funeral services will be held this morning at 10 a.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla. Rosary services were held at McKee Funeral Home Wednesday night.

May 3, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Funeral Friday for Inez L. Kern

5-3-79

Funeral services will be held at the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren at 1:30 p.m. Friday for Inez L. Kern, wife of Walter Kern, of 914 South Randolph street. She died Tuesday at the Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, at 11:15 p.m.

Born in Richland Township near Avilla, May 16, 1901, to Edward and Lydia (Lehner) Haynes, she had lived in Garrett nearly all of her life. She and Walter Kern were married Dec. 24, 1919, in Fairfield Township. He survives. In addition to the husband, four daughters survive including Mrs. Harold (Ruth) Pepple, Corunna; Mrs. Mary Gravit, 804 East Keyser street; Mrs. Catherine Cleland, 119 North Lee street; and Mrs. Sue McBride, 615 South Cowen street; one brother, Lloyd Haynes, Angola; two sisters, Mrs. Elza Jordan, Rt. 2, Avilla; Mrs. Sadie Tuttle, 600 South Franklin street; 13 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

She was a member of the Richland Township Home Demonstration Club and the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

Conducting the funeral services will be Rev. William Loucks and Rev. Arthur Morris. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 1 p.m. today.

May 7, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Services today for Fort Wayne man

5-7-79

Albert C. Hoffman, 72, of Fort Wayne, brother of Mrs. Richard (Hertha) Moran, 319 South Harrison street, died Friday at the Veteran's Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been a patient at the hospital for a year.

Mr. Hoffman was born April 4, 1905, in Fort Wayne, the son of Herman M. and Clara Hoffman. He was a veteran of World War II and a retired carpenter.

Surviving besides the sister in Garrett are the wife, Elizabeth; six children; three brothers, Ted, Winterhaven, Fla.; Paul, Greensburg; William, Fort Wayne; two other sisters, Dorothy Hansen, Fort Wayne; Helen H. Waterman, Chicago; and 12 grandchildren.

Mr. Hoffman was a member of the Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held this morning at 10 a.m. at the Klaehn South Anthony Chapel, Fort Wayne, with burial in Greenlawn Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

May 10, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Father of Mrs. Jesse Fulk buried

5-10-79

Funeral services were held Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, for Merl E. Gump, 88, father of Mrs. Mary Jane Fulk, of Rt. 1, Laotto. Mr. Gump died at 12:50 a.m. Saturday in St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Gump was a former two-term trustee of Eel River Township, Allen County. He was a retired painter-decorator and a founder of the Whitley County REMC where he served as manager and director for 10 years.

He is survived by his wife, Trudie; one son, five daughters; and one brother.

Preferred memorials are gifts to the building fund of Agape Church of the Brethren on Carroll Road.

Max Zerns dies suddenly Wednesday

5-10-79

Maxwell J. Zerns, 59, 419 West King street, suffered a fatal heart attack on his way to work in Fort Wayne Wednesday morning at approximately 6:30 a.m. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday. Funeral services will be held at the First Church of Christ at 11 a.m. Saturday. The body will be taken to the church at 9:30 a.m. James Platner, minister, will officiate.

Mr. Zerns was born March 2, 1920, at Muskegon Heights, Mich., to Earl and Elnora (Forward) Zerns. He and Marcella Van Lear were married Feb. 6, 1942, in Garrett and she survives. Mrs. Zerns is the Garrett City Clerk-Treasurer.

Other survivors include a son, Joel, Cambridge, Wisc.; one brother, Earl, Muskegon, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. John Kleeves, Largo, Fla., and two grandchildren.

Mr. Zerns, who had lived in Garrett since 1946, was a World War II veteran and was employed at Fruehauf Trailer Corp., Fort Wayne.

May 14, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Marguerite Cogley rites this morning

5-14-79

Services will be held at 10 a.m. this morning at St. Joseph Catholic Church for Miss Marguerite R. Cogley, 82, 401 West Edgerton street. She died Friday at 7:15 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born August 30, 1896, at Garrett, and was a resident here all her life. She was a retired employe of Electric Motors and Specialties, Inc., and a part time employe at St. Joseph Catholic School. She was the daughter of John L. and Anna (Gengler) Cogley.

Survivors include a brother, Martin Cogley, Lima, O.; and five sisters, Mrs. Maurice Crow, Fort Wayne; Bernadette Dreher, 405 South Ijams street; Misses Beatrice and Adelaide Cogley of 401 West Edgerton street; and Mrs. Raymond Donahue, Evergreen Park, Ill.

Miss Cogley was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Rosary Society, Daughters of Isabella and Eagles Auxiliary.

Rev. Adam Schmitt will officiate and burial will be in Calvary Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Rosary and D of I services were conducted at 8 p.m. Sunday evening.

Preferred memorials are gifts to the St. Joseph School.

Harry Jackson Sr. dies, calling today

5-14-79

Harry G. Jackson Sr., 65, 609 South Taylor Road, died at 7 p.m. Saturday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient three days. He had been in failing health three years.

Friends may call today after 2 p.m. at McKee Funeral Home. The Masonic Lodge will have services at 8 p.m. tonight and Eastern Star memorial services will follow at 8:15 p.m. The body will be taken to the First Church of Christ at noon Tuesday where funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. James Platner, minister, will officiate with burial in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Mr. Jackson was born Dec. 6, 1913, in Elkhart to Glover H. and Lillian (Smetlzer) Jackson. He married Alice L. Webb Oct. 23, 1938, in Wakarusa. She survives. He retired in 1975 from the B & O Railroad as a brakeman.

Other survivors besides the wife are one son, Harry Jr., 211 West Fifth Avenue; two daughters, Mrs. Jerry Miller, Huntertown; Mrs. Sandra Butcher, at home; two sisters, Mrs. Richard Keim, Bristol; Mrs. Lillian Cutler, Elkhart; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral Wednesda for Ruby H. Kobl

Ruby Helen Koble, 83 formerly of 217 South Harrisor street, died at 9:40 p.m. EDT a Friends Home, Greensboro, N C. She moved from Garrett ir 1975.

Mrs. Koble was born Jan. 4, 1896, in Garrett to John and Maria (Woodward) Suddick. She married Edward Koble in 1914. He preceded her in death. Mrs. Koble was a housewife and served as a volunteer for many years at Sacred Heart Hospital in Garrett.

Survivors incude her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Moore, Greensboro, N. C.; two sisters, Ethel Stearns, Willard, Ohio; Marian Nodine, Angola; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, after 2 p.m. Tuesday. The body will be taken to the United Presbyterian Church in Garrett at 11 a.m. Wednesday for calling until services at 2 p.m. with Rev. Allen T. Reed officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the United Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Koble was a member of Harmony Chapter of the Eastern Star, Ladies Auxiliary of the U.T.U. and United Presbyterian Church, Garrett.

May 21, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Saturday funeral for Howard Crum

5-21-79

Funeral services were held Saturday at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, for Howard M. Crum, 79, father of Mrs. Dale (Theda) Neukom of 605 South Ijams street. He died Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

Mr. Crum was born Jan. 4, 1900, in Helmer and married Avah Freed June 10, 1921. She preceeded him in death. He was a retired section worker for the New York Central railroad and a retired farmer.

Other survivors include three daughter, Mrs. Harry Holmes, Corunna, Mrs. Carl McKeever, Kendallville, and Mrs. John Ludwig, South Bend; one brother, eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren and one step great-grandson.

Rev. Robert W. Staup officiated at the services and burial was in Fairfield Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the American Lung Association.

Susie Zimmerman dies at age 75

5-21-79

Susie Pearl Zimmerman, 75, of 918 South Lee street, died at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, Sunday at 11 a.m. she had been in the hospital for four days.

Born Aug. 23, 1903 in Claypool, Ind., she had been a resident here since 1924. She and Earl K. Zimmerman were married at Winona Lake Nov. 5, 1924 and he preceeded her in death in 1964.

She is survived by two sons, Douglas, 918 South Lee street; Ned, Winter Park, Fla.; and a daughter, Mrs. Clifford (Sally), Johannson, Weaverville, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Esther Elliot, North Webster, and 11 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home with Ronald Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church officiating. Calling will be after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

She was a member of Viginti Matres.

May 24, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Grandson of Glen and Thelma Deihl dies at age 12

5-24-79

Blake E. Gearhart, 12, son of Ronald and Darla (Diehl) Gearhart, 1207 North Main street, Auburn, died Tuesday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital after an illness of 2½ years.

Blake was born Nov. 4, 1966, in Auburn. He was a student in the DeKalb Central School system.

Other survivors include three brothers, Jed, Brett and Eric, all at home; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Deihl, north of Garrett; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gearhart, Golden Years Homestead, Fort Wayne; and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Steward, Garrett.

Friends may call at the Dilgard, Kline and Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, after 2 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held at the Auburn Church of Christ, Ensley Avenue, at 11 a.m. Friday, with David McFadden, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Auburn Church of Christ, Cancer Research for Children at Riley Hospital, Indianapolis, DeKalb County EMS or Crippled Children's Fund.

Funeral Friday for Alphons Hoeffel

5-24-79

Funeral services will be held at the St. Mary's Catholic church, Avilla, at 10 a.m. Friday for Alphons (Al) Hoeffel, 83, former Garrett resident, who died at the Byron Health Center at 10:30 p.m. Tuesday. He had been at the Byron Health Center since February.

A former Garrett resident, he had lived in Avilla for several years before going to the Byron Health Center. He was born Dec. 30, 1895, in Defiance, O., to Michael and Mary Hoeffel. He and Lucille Hill were married in 1924 and she preceeded him in death in 1961. He was then married to Mary Kraus and she died earlier this year. He is survived by one son, James, Fort Wayne; one daughter, Mrs. John (Dorothy) Lash, Avilla; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Hoeffel was a retired B & O employe and formerly owned the bowling alleys in Garrett on North Randolph street. He was a member of the Eagles, Elks, K of C, VFW, all of Garrett, and the American Legion, Avilla. He was also a member of the St. Mary's Catholic church, Avilla.

Rev. Dennis W. Dennihan, pastor of St. Mary's will officiate at the services. Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Rosary services will be held at the funeral home tonight at 8 p.m. Military Rites will be held at Christian Union Cemetery by the Avilla American Legion.

May 29, 1979

Garrett Clipper

James Kelham, 56, dies, calling today

5-29-79

James C. Kelham, 56, Rt. 2, Avilla, died at his home at 6 a.m. Sunday. He had been ill seven years.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at McKee Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with Ronald Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Embrey Cemetery with military graveside services by the Garrett American Legion.

Mr. Kelham was born June 9, 1922, the son of Melvin and Mae (Clark) Kelham. He was a farmer and employed at County Line Cheese and a World War II U.S. Air Force veteran.

Survivors include his mother, Mae Kelham, 306½ South Cowen street; four sons, George, Steven and Dave, Rt. 2, Avilla, and James (Ray) of Garrett; three daughters, Ms. Cynthia Bergner, Auburn, Mrs. Sarah McNutt and Miss Sandra Kelham, Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. Raymond (Marjorie) Saxer, Rt. 1, Garrett, and Mrs. Lenns (Jean) Walsh, Copperas Cove, Tx.; and eight grandchildren. One brother, Robert, preceeded him in death.

He was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church, American Legion and the Moose.

May 31, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Husband of former Garrett woman dies

5-31-79

Donald M. Schauer, 55, Jerry City, Oh., died Wednesday morning, May 23, in Wood County Hospital, Bowling Green, Oh. He had been ill a week.

He was born Jan. 31, 1924, the son of Fred and Elsie (Morris) Schauer. He married Mary Bloom, a former resident of Altona, on Jan. 28, 1950, in Rising Sun, O., and she survives.

Other survivors include his mother, Mrs. Schauer, Toledo; a brother, Calvin, Rudolph, Oh.; two sisters, Mrs. John Bair Sr., Jerry City; Ms. Kathy Schauer, Toledo.

He was a member of the Jerry City United Brethren Church and a mason contractor. He had been a maintenance supervisor for Elmwood School district for the past 15 months.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon with Rev. Paul Conrad officiating. Burial was in Jerry City Cemetery.

June 4, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Sunday rites held for Edna Carr

6-4-79

Funeral services were held at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, Sunday at 2 p.m. for Edna Mary Carr, a resident at 111 North Taylor Road, who died Friday at 3 a.m. in the Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler, after an illness of three years.

She was born Feb. 19, 1898, to Lydia and Christian Oesch and married William Carr July 24, 1934, and he survives. Other survivors include three sons, James, Auburn; Wayne, Auburn; Norman, Fort Wayne; a daughter, Nora Carr, Latuante, Calif.; two brothers, Howard Oesch, Fort Wayne and Leonard Oesch, Butler; nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Garrett Pythian Sisters, Garrett Rebekah Lodge, the Friendship Grange and the Waterloo Church of Christ.

Rodney Hall, pastor of the church, officiated at the services and burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Brother of Garrett residents dies

6-4-79

Theo "Skip" Freeman, 67, Paris, Tenn., formerly of Auburn, died at his home Friday. He is a brother of Lyle Tarlton and a sister of Novella Tarlton, both of Garrett.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. this morning in Cedar Chapel Cemetery with Ronald Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church, officiating. Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Freeman was born April 15, 1912, in Auburn to Edwin and Evelyn (Shutt) Freeman. He and Doris Graham were married June 16, 1972. He was a retired machinist.

Other survivors include four stepdaughters, one son and three grandchildren.

June 7, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Garrett woman's grandfather dies

6-7-79

Edward R. Bruce, 86, Rome City, grandfather of Mrs. Marilyn Mills, Rt. 1, Garrett, died last Tuesday at his home.

Mr. Bruce was the son of the late Edward and Elnora (Cravens) Bruce. On Dec. 21, 1911, he married Chloe Wiley at Centerville, Mich., who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Max Bruce, Brimfield, and Robert Bruce, Wawaka, eight grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. A son and sister prceded him in death.

Services were held at 2 p.m. last Friday in the Hutchins-Williams Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with burial at Orange Cemetery, Rome City.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills and family attended the services and Chief of Police and Mrs. Jerry Custer, represented the Police Department.

Services held for DeKalb native

6-7-79

Clinton Herchel Griffin, 87, Aurora, Ill., a native of DeKalb County, died Tuesday, May 29, at Rivershores Nursing Home, Marseilles, Ill., where he had resided the last two years.

He was born Oct. 5, 1891, in DeKalb County, the son of the late Elmer Perry and Effie Griffin.

He was married to Elise Henks who died in 1950. He married Anna Reed and she preceded him in death in 1970. Also preceding him in death were three brothers and a sister.

Mr. Griffin had resided most of his life at Aurora, and was retired from All Steel Equipment Co., Aurora.

Survivors include a son, Bettendorf, Iowa; two sisters, Hazel Julow, Corunna, and Ella Griffin, Cromwell; eight nieces and nephews. Two nieces from our area include Mrs. Lawrence Balliet, Corunna, formerly of Garrett, and Mrs. Dennis Hornett, 304 East Quincy street.

Mr. Griffin was a member of the Claim Street Baptist Church, Aurora, for nearly 40 years.

Services were held Monday, June 4, with burial at Lincoln Memorial Park, Aurora.

Father of local woman dies

6-7-79

Fred Swink, 88, formerly of Uniontown, Kan., died at 8 p.m. Tuesday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been residing with his daughter, Mrs. Malcolm Freeman, 1700 Homestead Drive, for the past two years.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Uniontown Baptist Church and burial will be in the Uniontown Cemetery. There will be no calling in Garrett. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

Mr. Swink was born Jan. 31, 1891, at Humansville, Mo., to John M. and Mary J. (Leffler) Swink. He was a World War I veteran and a retired farmer.

Other survivors besides the daughter in Garrett are one brother, Oscar Swink, Lancaster, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. Lulu Turner, Chico, Calif.; Leola Keith, Girard, Kan.; Mrs. Addie Typer, Uniontown; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services held for Gertrude Yarian

6-7-79

Gertrude G. Yarian, 70, died at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at Cameron Hospital, Angola, where she had been a patient for 10 days.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Marilyn Bales, former pastor at Altarstar Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Mrs. Yarian was born May 27, 1909, to Fred and Emma (Korff) Yarian. She married David Yarian June 10, 1931, and he survives. She was a housewife.

Other survivors include two sons, Gene Yarian, 1201 West Quincy street, and Larry Yarian, Auburn; one brother, Virgil Korff, Auburn, and one sister, Mrs. Russell Housel, Rt. 1, Auburn; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Yarian was a member of the Altarstar United Methodist Church.

June 11, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Kenneth Krider dies at age 70

6-11-79

J. Kenneth Krider, 70, North Randolph street extended, died Sunday at 7:05 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient since Friday.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday with Rev. Carl Stump, retired pastor of the Christian Union Brethran in Christ Church, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Krider was born July 29, 1908, in Churubusco to Homer and Blanche (Aker) Krider. He married Arminnie Young Feb. 12, 1928, in Cassopolis, Mich. She survives. He had lived in Garrett since 1928 and was a retired B & O engineer, retiring July 1, 1973.

Other survivors include a son, Kenneth Joseph Krider, 1815 Maple Lane; two daughters, Mrs. Raymond (Barbara) Haynes, North Randolph street extended; and Mrs. Richard (Patricia) Lublow, Constantine, Mich.; one brother, Jerome, Churubusco; and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Krider was a member of the United Methodist Church and the United Transportation Union.

June 18, 1979

Garrett Clipper

6/18/79

Funeral today for former resident

Lloyd L. Coburn, 83, Hicksville, Ohio, died at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient two days. He was a former Garrett resident at 417 West King street, and brother-in-law of Mrs. C. E. Miller, 612 South Franklin street.

Born at Coburn Corners on April 4, 1896, he was the son of Harmon and Bertha (Wade) Coburn. He married Mayme Burlingame Sept. 9, 1916. She survives.

Until his retirement in 1916, Mr. Coburn was an accountant with the B&O Railroad division office in Garrett. In 1933 the office was moved to Cincinnati and then to Akron, where he lived until six years ago, at which time he and Mrs. Coburn moved to Hicksville.

Other survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Georgia Withow, Florida, and Mrs. Audrey Wilmot, Coburn Corners; one brother, Estel, Bradenton, Fla.; and four grandchildren. A son, Dr. L. Paul Coburn, preceded him in death in 1969.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. (Ohio time) today at the Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, with Rev. Calvin Martin, pastor of the Hicksville Presbyterian Church, officiating. The body will be cremated with burial in the Alton Cemetery.

Mr. Coburn was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Hicksville.

June 21, 1979

Garrett Clipper

6/21/79

Brother of local woman dies Sunday

Charles V. Balzer, 90, Auburn, died at 12:05 p.m. Sunday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past 12 days. He had been ill about two weeks. He was the brother of Gladys Horn, 121 East Quincy street.

Mr. Balzer was born June 23, 1888, in Greenville, Ohio, the son of George and Mary (Guinn) Balzer. On Dec. 25, 1910, he married Grace Rose Comesky in Auburn. She preceded him in death in 1966.

He was a retired Warner Gear employe and formerly worked for the Auburn Automobile Co.

Surviving besides the sister in Garrett are one son, Richard, Auburn; another sister, Lucille Scott, Columbia City; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. One son and one brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. George Schuette of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, where he was a member, officiated. Burial followed in Roselawn Cemetery.

Two-car crash claim two lives

DeKalb County recorded two more fatalities when a man and a girl, were killed and three others, all members of the same family, were injured in a two-car crash north of Waterloo at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday. Both were pronounced dead at the scene.

Robert H. Eyler Sr., 53, Auburn, one of the victims, was pinned in the wreckage of his car after the second car landed on top of it after both autos slammed into a utility pole.

Eyler died of severe head and chest injuries.

Sarah Zawadzke, 3, Auburn, also died of severe head injuries.

The crash occurred at Old U.S. 27 and DeKalb County Road 12, 3½ miles north of Waterloo.

According to DeKalb County Sheriff Larry Myers, Eyler was southbound on 27 when the second car, west bound, driven by the child's mother, Cheryl S. Zawadzke, 29, failed to yield the right of way and drove into the path of Eyler's vehicle.

The right front of the Zawadzke auto struck the left front of Eyler's car, throwing both cars off the highway into a utility pole. The impact forced the Zawadzke car onto the top of Eyler's vehicle, pinning him in the wreckage. Rescue squads from Ashley, Auburn and Waterloo were called to the scene. Fire units from the three communities were also called for assistance when it was feared there might be a danger of fire.

Mrs. Zawadzke received a spine fracture and cuts and bruises. Also injured were her son, Andrew, 7, minor cuts and bruises, and another daughter, Suzanne, 5, fractured pelvis and multiple cuts and bruises.

All of the injured were taken to DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where they remain in fair condition.

The accident raised DeKalb County's fatalities to 12 for the first half of the year.

Eyler was on the Auburn plan commission and a former city councilman. Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Lung Association, DeKalb Memorial Hospital or Immaculate Conception Church.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce, three children, Leslie, Auburn, Jo Ann, Fort Wayne, and Robert Jr., at home; his father, Arthur H. Eyler, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and two brothers.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, for Sarah Zawadzke. Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Other survivors, besides the mother, brother and sister, are her father, Steven Zawadzke, Kendallville; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Luella Zawadzke, Kendallville; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Creager, 606 South Harrison street; a maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Ferman Creager, Hamilton.

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June 25, 1979

Garrett Clipper

6/25/79

Carl McKee's mother dies, funeral Wednesday

Gretchen S. McKee, 91, Avilla, died at 11 a.m. Sunday at Betz Nursing Home, where she had been a patient since May 30. She had been in failing health for several months.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Final rites will be held at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday with Rev. Emmett L. Anderson, pastor of Calvary United Methodist Church, Avilla, officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville.

Mrs. McKee was born in Steuben County on April 2, 1888, to Frederick O. and Olivia G. (Bennett) Silvey. She married Carl C. McKee Sr. on Oct. 18, 1933, in Nappanee. He preceded her in death Dec. 18, 1969.

Survivors include two stepsons, Carl C. McKee Jr., 504 South Randolph street, and Kenneth D. McKee, Chicago; six step-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. McKee was a member of the Calvary United Methodist Church.

6/25/79

Kathryn Muzzillo dies; rites today

Kathryn M. Muzzillo, 72, 501 South Cowen street, died Thursday at 10 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been in the hospital one day, but had been in failing health several years.

Mrs. Muzzillo was born March 16, 1907, in Elkhart, the daughter of Joseph and Angeline (Rosa) Muzzillo. She was a retired seamstress of Pollack Bros., Fort Wayne.

Surviving are three brothers, Carl, Auburn; Gerald, Minneapolis, Minn.; and Robert, Indianapolis; six sisters, Mrs. Olan Shank, Miss Adeline Muzzillo, Mrs. Virgil McFadden, Miss Esther Muzzillo, Mrs. Wayne Bolster, all of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Charles Cooley, Kalamazoo.

She was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rosary Society, and D of I, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services were conducted today at 10 a.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Services held for Florence Reinhart

6/25/79

Florence Reinhart, 93, Rt. 1, Butler, died at 11:15 a.m. Thursday in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where she had lived for three years. She had been a lifelong resident of DeKalb County.

Mrs. Reinhart was born Feb. 28, 1886, in DeKalb County, the daughter of the late Phillip and Martha (McDaniel) Ginder. On Nov. 3, 1918, she married Albert Reinhart. He died in 1958.

Surviving are three children, Mrs. Mary Noel, Garrett; John Reinhart, Butler; and Mrs. Annabelle Yoder, Auburn, and nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Clyde Ginder, Lima, Ohio, and Harry Ginder, Butler; and one sister, Mrs. Grace Keller, Auburn.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church. Rev. Paul Lutz officiated. Burial was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church. Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, was in charge of arrangements.

July 2, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Brother of Garrett men buried

7/2/79

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, for George F. Bauman, 70, Rt. 3, Auburn, brother of Harold and Ernie Bauman, both of Garrett. Mr. Bauman died at the McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, at 11 p.m. Wednesday after an illness of four months.

He was born March 30, 1909 in Noble County and on June 14, 1931 he and Jessiemay Applegate were married. She survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Kenneth, Michael and Patrick, all of Auburn,; one daughter, Mrs. Ken Ort, Auburn, the two Garrett brothers; one sister, Mrs. Samuel Bushong, Syracuse, 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Terry Borchard, a Lutheran missionary in New Guinea. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Lutheran Church missionary in New Guinea and the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

7/2/79

Services today for Margaret Johnson

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. today at the St. Joseph Catholic Church for Miss Margaret C. Johnson, 73, who was pronounced dead on arrival at DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 7:35 a.m. Saturday.

Born March 22, 1906, to Frank and Rose Johnson, she had lived here all of her life and had resided at 315 South Hampsher street. She was a retired Garrett Telephone Company operator, having retired in 1971. She was the lone night time operator for many years.

She is survived by four brothers, Tom, Albert and Florian Johnson, all of Garrett, and Paul of Chicago.

She was a member of the Rosary Society and Rosary services were conducted Sunday at 8 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Sullivan conducted the services at the church this morning.

Services Saturday for Garrett native

7/2/79

Services were held Saturday afternoon at Tom Mungovan Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, for Mrs. Thelma T. Oswald, 78, Fort Wayne, a native of Garrett, who died Thursday morning at the Lutheran Home, Fort Wayne, following an extended illness.

Mrs. Oswald was employed 42 years by General Electric Co.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Wilda Walters, Spencerville, and four brothers, Earl McNabb, Auburn; Dale McNabb, Fowlerville, Mich.; Bernard McNabb, Dearborn, Mich.; and Kenneth McNabb, Fort Wayne.

Burial was in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Funeral rites to be held Tuesday for Arthur Watier

7/2/79

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Arthur L. Watier, 79, Auburn, brother of Mrs. Dorothy Leeson, Altona, who died at 2:45 p.m. Saturday at the Souder Health Care Center, Auburn.

Born Aug. 19, 1899, in Altona, he had lived around here all of his life. He was a retired employe, deliveryman, for Ort's Furniture. There are no other survivors.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Today.

July 5, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Brother-in-law of Mrs. Cutshall dies

Funeral services were held last Wednesday for William A. Herbst, 78, Hammond, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Rupert Cutshall, northwest of Garrett.

Mr. Herbst died Sunday, June 24, after several months illness. He was a native of Joliet, Ill., but lives most of this life around Fort Wayne and near Churubusco. In Oct. 1929 he married Emily Smith. She preceded him in death in 1969. A son, Arthur, also preceded him in death April 7, 1979. He was a retired steel worker.

Survivors include three daughters: Mrs. Arthur (June) Lock, Rt. 1, Churubusco; Mrs. Jeannette Scher, Stevensville, Mich.; Mrs. Alan Shurman, Dyer; two brothers: Raymond and Henry Herbst, both of Joliet; also 19 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mother of Mrs. J. D. Gibson dies

Mrs. Kenneth (Emma) Newell, 58, of near Portland, Ind., the mother of Mrs. Jack D. (Betty) Gibson, 112 South Taylor Road, died Saturday at her home.

Services were held Tuesday afternoon at the St. James Lutheran Church, Salamonia. Williamson-Spencer Funeral Home, Portland, was in charge of arrangements.

July 9, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Final rites held for Emma Bowmar

7/9/79

Funeral services were held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Emma Bowmar, longtime Garrett resident, who died at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, at 9:40 a.m. Thursday.

A resident at Golden Years Nursing Home for eight years, she had formerly lived at 704 East King street and was the widow of Charles E. Bowmar, who preceeded her in death in 1963. She was born on Jan. 11, 1890, in Strawn, Ill. to John and Emily Hiigli.

She and Mr. Bowmar were married May 5, 1912, and were the parents of three sons and two daughters. One son, Gerald, preceeded her in death. Survivors include Lawrence, 601 Oakleaf Drive; Charles, 510 East Warfield; Mrs. Merl (Dorothy) Musselman, LaPorte; and Mrs. Doris Habig, Auburn; two brothers, Ernest Hiigli, Union Mills, Ind.; John Hiigli, Ocala, Fl.; three sisters, Miss Martha Hiigli, Union Mills; Mrs. Nathan Marsh, LaPorte; and Mrs. Orin Faris, Clearwater, Fl.; ten grandchildren and nine great-grandchileren. One great-great-grandchild also survives.

She was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church and Rev. Ron Bowman, pastor of the church officiated at the services. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Services held for Everett DePew

Everett H. DePew, 78, 720 West King street, died at 11:12 a.m. Saturday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient since June 22.

He was born Feb. 11, 1901, in Garrett to Cary and Anna (Riccius) DePew. He married Anna Dembickie on Sept. 29, 1927, in Garrett, and she survives. Mr. DePew was a car inspector on the B & O Railroad for 41 years prior to his retirement in 1965.

Other survivors, besides the wife, are two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Kathleen) Foster, Auburn; and Mrs. Eldon (Donna) Hile, 507 South Cowen street; one sister, Mrs. John (Treva) McIntyre, Auburn; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. this morning at St. Joseph Catholic Church, with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Rosary services were held Sunday evening at McKee Funeral Home.

Mr. DePew was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Holy Name Society and the Eagles Club.

Funeral today for S. Virgil Godwin

7/9/79

Retired B & O brakeman, S. Virgil Godwin, 77, died at 9:50 p.m. Thursday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home. Rev. Richard Watt, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Born Aug. 21, 1901, in Parsons, West Virginia, he had been a resident here since 1940. He retired from the B & O in 1964. He married Agnes Bryan June 7, 1930, in Nestorville, W. Va., and she survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Wilma Hill, New Haven; and Mrs. Sandra Stryker, Auburn; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and a sister, Mrs. Blanche Wilson, Hopemount, W. Va., also survives.

He was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge and Masonic services were held at 8 p.m. Sunday.

July 12, 1979

Garrett Clipper

July 12, 1979

A Fort Wayne man, Kevin M. Hare, 22, was killed in a motorcycle accident approximately one mile south of Garrett at 10:45 p.m. Wednesday.

He was southbound on State Road 327 and went off of the road on the left hand side and into a ditch where he struck a steel post. He was taken to the DeKalb Memorial Hospital by the Garrett EMS where he died approximately one hour later.

The accident was investigated by DeKalb County Police, State Police and the county coroner, Dr. William Hathaway.

Services held for Chandos A. Hile

Chandos A. Hile, 78, died at 3:35 p.m. Monday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient since June 28. He had been in failing health one year.

He was born Oct. 19, 1901, in Albion, to Joseph and Almine (Edsall) Hile. He married Stella S. Strouse, in Albion, March 17, 1921. She died June 18, 1978. He was a farmer until his retirement in 1951, and lived at 1341 South Randolph street since 1961.

Survivors include two sons, Dallas, Inverness, Fla.; and Eldon, 507 South Cowen street; one daughter, Mrs. Betty Brown, Fort Wayne; 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at McKee Funeral Home Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. with Rev. Richard Watt, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Mother of local woman dies

July 12

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at the Hamilton United Methodist Church for Letha G. Teegarden, 80, Hamilton, who is the mother of Mrs. Jack (Barbara) Black of Rt. 3, Lake Gage, former Garrett residents. She died Sunday at the Midwest City Memorial Hospital in Midwest City, Okla.

Born July 1, 1899 in Steuben County, she married Ray Teegarden and he preceded her in death. She was a retired school teacher and was a member of the Eastern Star at Angola, Delta Kappa Gamma Honorary Teachers Society International; Hamilton Methodist Church and the Hamilton Study Club.

Other survivors include another daughter, Mrs. Richard Sparks of Midwest City; a sister, Mrs. Sarah Aldrich of Angola; four grandchildren and a great grandson.

The Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, was in charge of arrangements and burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

July 16, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites held for Mrs. Vernie Cool

7/16

Funeral services were held at the Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, at 1 p.m. Saturday for Vernie Mae Cool, 79, Auburn, who died in her home at about 9:15 a.m. Thursday. Burial was in Roselawn cemetery.

She was born Aug. 22, 1899 in rural Garrett. She was preceded in death by her husband, Phillip Cool; a son, Phillip; and a daughter, Mrs. Ralph Steward.

Surviving are two brothers, Russell and Victor Housel; both of rural Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. Roy Waters, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Herb Warner, Auburn; and three grandchildren.

She was a retired employee of Dana Corporation and a member of the Auburn First United Methodist church.

Father of Sally Gray buried today

7/16

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Elzey-Dickey-Haggard Funeral Home, Waynedale, for Raymond G. Scribner, 49, Fort Wayne, father of Sally Gray of Garrett.

He was a native of Allen County and was an employe of International Harvester for 17 years. He died at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Flagstaff, Arizona.

Surviving are his wife, Doris; seven daughters; his parents, four sisters and two brothers.

Burial will be in Prairie Grove Cemetery. Preferred memorials are gifts to the Heart Association.

Rites today for Garrett woman's brother

7/16/79

Services will be held at 11 a.m. today at the D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Funeral Home for David J. Miller, 69, Huntertown, a brother of Agnes Emmons of Garrett.

A native of Allen County, he was retired from General Electric where he had worked for 35 years.

He is survived by one brother and another sister in addition to Mrs. Emmons.

Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Private rites for Norma A. Wiant

7/16

A private family service has been held for Norma A. Wiant, 86, a sister of Miss Marjorie Nell, 212 South Lee street, who died at 6:15 p.m. Thursday in the Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She had been in failing health for four months.

Mrs. Wiant had lived near Waterloo since 1946 when she moved from Garrett. She was retired and formerly operated the Nora Ann Shop in Auburn.

She was born in Walkerton March 2, 1893, to the late Jacob and Margaret Nell. She is survived by a brother, Robert, Las Vegas, Nev.; the sister; and three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

July 19, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Wm Barrone dies in Minnesota

7/19/79

Relatives in Garrett have received word of the death of William T. Barrone, 80, Rochester, Minn., Tuesday evening.

He had been a patient since last Friday in a hospital at Rochester.

Mr. Barrone formerly resided at 708 South Peters street. He was a retired B & O retired machinist at Willard.

He was the son of the late Lelander and Ida Barrone. Nieces and nephews survive.

Services will be held Friday at Rochester.

Graveside services for stillborn baby

7/18/79

Graveside services were held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Christian Union Cemetery for Lisa Ann Boyd, stillborn daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell (Kendra) Boyd of 619 North Randolph street. The child was stillborn at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Monday at 9:30 p.m.

The baby is survived by the parents, a brother, Mitchell II; the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Boyd, 104 South Walsh street; the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Carol Davenport, 1205 South Franklin street; and the maternal grandfather, Kenneth Wheeler, Hicksville.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements and Rev. Robert Staub, pastor of the United Brethren in Christ Church, Corunna, officiated.

Paul F. Payton, 62, Corunna, dies

7/19

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, for Paul F. Payton, 62, Rt. 1, Corunna, brother of Robert Payton, Garrett.

He died Tuesday at 5:40 a.m. at the Branch County Community Health Center, Coldwater, Mich.

Mr. Payton was born June 27, 1912, in Mitchell, the son of William and Florence (Terry) Payton. He was married on Dec. 3, 1938, to Margaret Cooper in Auburn. She survives.

Mr. Payton was an antique dealer and a World War II veteran.

Other survivors, besides the wife and brother in Garrett are three daughters, Mrs. Sharon Neible, Coldwater; Mrs. Judy Drerup, Union City, Mich.; Mrs. Sandra Ousley, Tekonsha, Mich.; five other brothers, Samuel, Avilla; Ralph, Kendallville, Claude, Auburn; Richard, Corunna; Delbert, Waterloo; two sisters, Mrs. Betty Hissong, Corunna, Mrs. Virginia Buttermore, Waterloo; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Two brothers and two sisters preceded Mr. Payton in death.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Rev. Don A. Brown from Quincy, Mich., will officiate at the services. Burial will be at the Corunna Cemetery.

July 26, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites Friday for Presley Jackson

7/26

Funeral services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Presley E. Jackson, 76, retired DeKalb County Highway Department employe. He died at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the McCray Memorial Hospital after an illness of three years.

He was born Dec. 28, 1902, in New Castle to James and Mabel Jackson. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Doris Roebuck, Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, and Mrs. Elsie Leggett, 1213 South Cowen street.

He had lived at the Sacred Heart Home for two years but had previously lived at 221½ South Franklin street for approximately 30 years.

Rev. Allen Reed, pastor of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Calling is after 7 p.m. today

Services today for Mrs. Lola Kast

7/26

Mrs. Lola B. (Moore) Kast, 90, of Meadowhaven Nursing Home, Butler, mother of Mrs. Cornelius (Leila) Blomeke of 918 East Houston street, died Monday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. at the nursing home.

Mrs. Kast was born Nov. 24, 1888, at Hicksville, Ohio, to the late William and Eliza (Maxwell) Elliot. She married Enos C. Moore Sept. 18, 1907, who died Dec. 30, 1946. On Feb. 23, 1954, she married Harry Kast, formerly of Garrett. He died on Oct. 9, 1962.

Survivors besides the daughter in Garrett are: five sons, Lee Moore, Findlay, Ohio; Akin Moore, Fort Wayne; Glenn Moore, Spencerville; Paul Moore, St. Joe; Ted Moore, Leesburg, Fla.; three stepsons, Michael, Jack and Harry Kast, all of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Mrs. Victor (Maxine) Kelley, Butler; Mrs. Elizabeth Stemen, Auburn; a step-daughter, Dorothy Thomas, Fort Wayne, 30 grandchildren, 17 step-grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren, seven great-great-grandchildren and a brother, Ray Elliot, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Kast was a member of the Spencerville United Methodist Church and the Bunco Club, Spencerville.

Services will be held at the Spencerville Methodist Church at 2 p.m. today with the Rev. Terry Rhine officiating. Burial will be at Leo Memorial Cemetery. Preferred Memorials are gifts to the church.

Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of arrangements.

John Roseberry dies in Colorado

7/26

Mrs. J. A. Comesky of 1304 West Quincy street, has received word of the death Tuesday of her son-in-law, John L. Roseberry, 68, of Ault, Colo.

He is survived by his wife, Leone, and two daughters, Patricia and Alicia, and four grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

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Mother of Herman Jensen dies

7-30-79

Ida Hibschman, 89, mother of Herman Jensen, 504 South Cowen street, died Saturday at 10:05 a.m. in Meadowheaven Nursing Home, Butler.

She was born June 3, 1890, in Syracuse and was married to LaDene Jensen, who died in 1941. She later married Clee Hibschman who died in 1951.

Mrs. Hibschman was a long time resident of Syracuse before moving to Garrett in 1972. She had been a patient at Meadowheaven for three years.

Other survivors besides the son are a daughter, Mrs. Donald Lower, Toledo, Ohio, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Harris Funeral Home, Syracuse, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. today. Funeral services will be at the funeral home Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. Burial will be in Syracuse Cemetery.

Jack Davis, 49, dies in California

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Davis, Rt. 1, Garrett, have returned from San Diego, Calif., where they attended funeral services for their son, Jack A. Davis, 49, who died in a hospital there on July 20. He had been in failing health for nine months.

He retired seven years ago, after serving 24 years in the Navy as a Lieutenant Commander. He was a senior electrical engineer at the San Diego National Steel and Ship Building Co., since his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, one son, two daughters, one grandchild, his parents and two sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis were accompanied by their daughter, Jean Haines and granddaughters, Mrs. Kent Vangorder, and Mr. and Mrs. John Heulsenbeck, all of Avilla. Also a daughter and her husband, Lieutenant Lowell and Judy Smeltzer, from Charleston, S. C., where he is stationed aboard the Sub Tender, U. S. S. Canopus.

Funeral services and interment was held July 24 at El Camino Mortuary and Memorial Park Cemetery in San Diego.

August 2, 1979
Garrett Clipper

Fort Wayne youth drowns Monday

Tragedy struck Monday afternoon at Indian Springs Camp Grounds, located four miles south of Garrett on County Road 64. Vincent Wormbly, 16, of 1228 Cinnamon street, Fort Wayne, and two other companions were swimming across one of several small spring fed lakes.

Vincent apparently ran into undetermined difficulties and went under about half-way across the lake. Despite the efforts to save him by his two companions he cound not be saved.

The Garrett Unit of the EMS was dispatched and upon arrival the Garrett Fire Department was summoned. Upon arrival at the scene the Garrett firemen and one off duty police officer immediately shed their clothes and commandeered boats and started surface diving in a valiant effort to save the victim.

After 30 minutes of unsuccessful efforts and becoming totally exhausted from 20 foot dives, the local men had to call off diving operations. DeKalb County Police, Indiana State Police and State Conservation officers then began dragging operations and the body was recovered in about 30 feet of water at 4:30 p.m.

Garrett Fire Chief Robert Brownell had nothing but high praise for Garrett firemen, Harry Lung, Gary McPheeters, Jeff Bartels, Rick Getts, Don Reinoehl, Steve Pepple and off-duty police officer Roger Easterday. These men literally risked their lives in a vain but valiant effort to save this young man from Fort Wayne. Diving 15 to 20 feet deep without the aid of scuba diving equipment was no small risk to their own lives.

August 13, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites today for Garrett woman's mother

8-13-79

Funeral services will be held today at 2 p.m. in the Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, for Gladys H. Gillingham, 69, Rt. 2, Wolcottville, who died at 3:10 a.m. Tuesday in the LaGrange County Hospital. She is the mother of Mrs. Cynthia Jacobs of Garrett.

Born Sept. 21, 1909, in Fort Wayne, she was married to Leonard Gillingham and he survives. Other survivors include the Garrett daughter, another daughter, Mrs. Monroe Gage of LaGrange, a son, James, at home, three half-brothers and seven grandchildren.

Mrs. Gillingham was a member of the Green Chapel Wesleyan Church in Wolcottville.

Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Rites Friday for Hazel M. Vallieu

8-13-79

Funeral services will be held at the Zion Lutheran Church, Garrett, at 2 p.m. Friday for Hazel M. Vallieu, 76, a resident of Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She died at 12:45 a.m. Wednesday after being ill for two years. Rev. Anthony Smith will officiate.

Born July 3, 1903, to William and Myrtle Woolever, she and Harold Vallieu were married Dec. 12, 1925, and he survives. Other survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Norma Allen, Rockhill, S. C.; Mrs. Maxine Bond, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Herbert (Betty) Kleeman, 402 South Randolph street; and Mrs. Richard (Ann) Brown, of Rt. 1, Garrett; one brother, Leo Woolever, Auburn; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements and friends may call after 2 p.m. and between 7 and 9 p.m. today.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

August 16, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Services set for Virginia Applegate

Virginia A. Applegate, 69, 111 East Fifth Avenue, died suddenly at 5 a.m. Wednesday at her home.

Friends may call at Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and after 11 a.m. Saturday at the Garrett United Methodist Church. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the church with Rev. Ronald Bowman officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Miss Applegate was born July 14, 1910, to John V. and Maudie (Moughler) Applegate and was a lifelong resident of Garrett.

Survivors include six sisters: Thelma Miller, Avilla; Jessie May Bauman, Auburn; Neva Gordy, Fort Wayne; Kathleen Collins, Marrisville, Pa.; Gwendolyn Conkle, Garrett; and Billie Teegardin, Randallstown, Md.

Preferred memorials are to Wee Haven School.

Graveside rites for Jordan baby

Graveside rites were held Wednesday at 10 a.m. for Jenny Ann Jordan, stillborn daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jordan of 1101 Susan street, Auburn. Pastor Gene Hollenberg of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Other survivors in addition to the parents are the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elza Jordan of Rt. 2, Avilla; paternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Harold Redman, Fort Wayne; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cook, Rt. 3, Auburn; maternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cook, Rt. 4, Auburn, and maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Clair Tuttle of Garrett.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial services for former resident

8-16-79

Ruth Greiser Wessel, 57, former resident here for six years, died Monday in Port Charlotte Hospital, Port Charlotte, Fla., after an illness of five years.

Born Oct. 6, 1922 in Toledo to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Greiser, she and Maurice Wessel were married April 10, 1943 in Toledo, and he survives. Also surviving are a son, Maurice Wessel Jr., Granger, Ind.; and one daughter, Cynthia A. O'Banion, East Lyme, Connecticut.

She is also survived by three sisters-in-law in the Garrett area and they are: Mrs. Don Deibele Sr., 209 South Walsh street; Mrs. Otho Schumaker, 218 South Franklin street; Mrs. Walter Dannenberg of Fort Wayne. One brother-in-law, LeRoy Wessel of San Antonio, Texas, also survives.

Memorial services will be held at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Sunday, at 1 p.m. with Pastor Anthony Smith officiating.

Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

August 20, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Sister of Garrett area man dies

8-20-79

Funeral services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, for Alice Joy Haifley, 73, Rt. 1, Butler, who died at 2:30 a.m. Thursday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was born Nov. 19, 1905, in Butler to Daniel and Maude Keller. She married Earnman S. Haifley in Marshall, Mich., in 1924. He survives. She is also survived by one son, Gerald, Ashley; three daughters, Mrs. Kathryn Carper, Auburn; Mrs. Eleanora Rathert, Waterloo; and Mrs. Bonnie Rose, Granada Hills, Cal. Also surviving are five brothers, including Mac Keller of Rt. 1, Garrett; eleven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Rev. Jeffery Snyder officiated at the services and burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mildred Swartout dies at age 70

8-20-79

Mildred Swartout, 70, Auburn, and former Garrett resident, died at 1:15 a.m. Sunday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She is the widow of Charles Swartout.

A graduate of Garrett High School, she and her husband ran the Auburn Newstand for many years. When in high school she was one of the most popular cheerleaders for many years and long after she graduated she was called upon to help current cheerleaders for the annual rivalry game between Garrett and Auburn and was always very successful in stirring the Garrett fans to greater heights. She was also active for over 20 years locally in the Psi Iota Xi Sorority.

She is survived by one brother, Walter Alley, Auburn, and several nieces.

Funeral services will be held at the Bale Funeral Home, Auburn, Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Friends may call after 7 p.m. tonight and on Tuesday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Preferred memorials are to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

August 23, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Avilla man killed in car accident

8-23-79

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla, with Father Dennis Dennihan officiating, for Raymond Blotkamp, 42, Avilla, who was killed at 2:45 a.m. Saturday after his car left the Baseline Road, south of Avilla, and hit a tree.

Investigting police say Blotkamp was eastbound when his car left the right side of the road and traveled about 195 feet on the shoulder until striking a tree head-on.

Blotkamp, a lifetime Avilla resident, and a foreman at Dana in Fort Wayne, was born Nov. 28, 1936 in Garrett to Edwin and Minnie Blotkamp. He married Rita Powell in 1958 and she survives.

Other survivors include his mother at 421 South Peters street, four daughters, Jan, Rhonda, Suzy and Stacy, all at home; three sons, Joe, Mitch and Brent, also at home; three sisters and two brothers, Harold and Robert both of Garrett.

Burial was in the St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla and Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, was in charge of arrangements.

Final rites held for Ohio woman

8-23-79

Memorial services were held Monday in Hicksville for Dorothy J. Cook, 56, who died at 10:20 p.m. Friday in Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola, after suffering a heart attack.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Gatha Wasson of Garrett; her husband, Carl Cook, Hicksville; three sons, three sisters, three brothers and nine grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be given to the American Heart Fund.

She was born Aug. 26, 1922, in DeKalb County to Floyd and Gatha Roberts.

Father of Ruth Quince dies at 81

8-23-79

Otto Cormican, 81, of Philadelphia, Pa., father of Mrs. Harley (Ruth) Quince of 619 South Johnson street, died Aug. 13.

Services were held on Friday, Aug. 17, at Glenside Funeral Home, Glenside, Pa., with burial at Glenside Cemetery, north of Philadelphia.

Surviving besides the daughter in Garrett, are the wife, three other daughters, three sons, 23 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. A son prededed him in death.

Mr. Cormican served in the U. S. Navy during World War I and was a retired conductor of the Reading Railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Quince attended the services.

Funeral today for Marion Weathers

8-23-79

Funeral services will be conducted at the Auburn United Methodist church today at 10 a.m. for Marion T. Weathers, 79, a longtime Auburn teacher who died at DeKalb Memorial Hospital Monday at 8:55 p.m.

She was born Sept. 5, 1899 in Butler Township, the daughter of Albert and Sarah Thrush. She graduated from Auburn in 1916 and from DePauw University in 1920. She married Frank Weathers in 1924 and he preceeded her in death.

Surviving are three children, 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Rev. John Dicken will officiate at the services and burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery. Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to the United Methodist Church, the Heart Fund, or DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

August 30, 1979

Garrett Clipper

1 killed, 2 injured in two-truck crash

8-30-79

A semitrailer truck skidded out of control on I-69 near the Waterloo exit Tuesday afternoon and collided with a southbound tandem trailer, killing the passenger in one rig and injuring the two drivers.

The dead man was identified as Yuen Wing Lew, 64, of Rochester, N.Y., the passenger in the northbound semi.

Seriously hurt were LeRoy F. Hillyard, 44, of North Fort Myers, Fla., who was northbound, and Emmet C. Bowles, 52, of Rochester, Mich., who was headed south. Both men were taken to DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Investigating officers state Hillyard lost control as his outfit went into a skid on the wet highway and crossed the median strip, crashing into Bowles' outfit at the underpass. Bowles' rig rolled over onto its right side. The tractors of both semis were demolished and Hillyard's semi-trailer was extensively damaged.

Southbound traffic on I-69 was routed to the south off ramp and then back onto the interstate at the south entrance. The area was blocked until shortly after 10 p.m.

Hillyard, a driver for Allied Van Lines out of Broadview, Ill., suffered a fractured nose, fractured ribs and multiple cuts over his entire body.

Lew died of massive head injuries.

Bowles, driving for Transcon Lines of Detroit, suffered extensive scalp cuts, fractured ribs, multiple bruises and cuts over his entire body.

Investigating the accident were Indiana State police, DeKalb County police officers, Dr. William Hathaway, DeKalb County coroner and Waterloo police. The Waterloo fire department was sent to stand by the scene due to the amount of diesel fuel spilled on the roadway.

Local man's mother dies in Michigan

8-30-79

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Reyes Funeral Home, Grand Rapids, Mich., for former Fort Wayne resident Gertrude Gaar, 99, who died in a Grand Rapids nursing home Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Gaar, a native of Huntington, had formerly lived in the Fort Wayne and Huntington areas but moved to Grand Rapids 41 years ago.

Surivivng are two sons, Robert Aspe of Grand Rapids and Lawrence Aspe of Lanchaster, Calif.; and two stepsons, Lloyd Gaar of Garrett and Clarence Gaar of Monroeville.

Auburn Broadview manager dies after heart surgery

8-30-79

Dale Gunzenhauser, 55, manager of Broadview Lumber Co., Auburn Division, died Sunday at 9 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had undergone heart surgery on Wednesday.

Mr. Gunzenhauser moved to Auburn in 1965. He was born in Huntington Aug. 5, 1924 and his mother survives in Huntington. Also surviving are his wife, the former Melba Kaylor; a son, Monte, Crawfordsville; a daughter, Mrs. Mike Griffin, Fort Wayne; a brother, Earl, Huntington; a sister, Mrs. Don Myers, Huntington; and two grandsons.

He served on the board of directors of DeKalb Memorial Hospital, and was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Indiana Home Builders Association and the Greenhurst Country Club.

Services were held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran church, Auburn, with Rev. George Schuette, officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the church or the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

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September 4, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for James C. Dirr, 65

9-4-79

Funeral services are at 10 a.m. this morning for James C. Dirr, 65, a life long resident of Garrett, who lived at 417 South Walsh street. He died Saturday at 9:35 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Dirr was born Junly 29, 1914, in Garrett, to James J. and Clara B. (Waterbeck) Dirr. He worked on the B & O Railroad and for the City of Garrett from 1964 until recently when he retired.

Survivors include five sisters; Amelia Heitzman, Dallas Tex.; Grace Brandonberg, Pauline Moses, Barbara Johnston and Marguerite Smith, all of Garrett.

Rev. Allen T. Reed will officiate at the services at McKee Funeral Home and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Jimmy Dirr Park Fund.

Larince Fugate services held

9-4-79

Funeral services were held Saturday at the McKee Funeral Home for Larince Fugate, 49, 913 West Quincy street, who died Thursday at 6:34 a.m. at his home.

Born Oct. 18, 1929, in Jackson, Ky., he had been a resident of Garrett since 1946. He was an employe of Pontiac Foundry, Fort Wayne.

He and Mary Coyer were married Oct. 24, 1949, and she survives. Other survivors include five sons, Jenings, Micheal, Danny, Elis and Larince Jr., all of Garrett; five daughters, Mrs. Rosemary Strock, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Bobby Bailey, Tenn.; Mrs. Larry Mitchell, Kimmell; Miss Louise Fugate, Avilla; and Miss Billie Jo Fugate, Garrett; one brother, Estell, Auburn; one sister, Mrs. Katie Gilliam, Jackson, Ky.; and 15 grandchildren.

Rev. Edward Vanderpool officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

September 17, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Corunna couple killed in crash

9-17-79

A two-car crash on U. S. 6 west of Waterloo killed a Corunna couple and sent four others to the hospital Thursday evening.

Dead are David D. and Marilyn Mauldin, Rt. 1, Corunna. Their daughters, Sherry, 14, and Brandy, 3, were also injured in the mishap which occurred at 6:23 p.m. Sherry was taken to Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, and was reported in critical condition with head and internal injuries. Brandy was taken to DeKalb Memorial Hospital for treatment of lacerations. Her condition is described as satisfactory.

The driver of the second car, Jeff Hill, 16, and his passenger John Luttman, 15, both of Kendallville, were taken to McCray Hospital in Kendallville. Hill was treated for lacerations of the leg and Luttman received multiple lacerations and broken ankles. Both are in satisfactory condition.

The crash occurred when the Mauldin auto had pulled from County Road 19 and was westbound on U. S. 6. The Hill car was eastbound and attempted to pass another vehicle. As the vehicle pulled into the passing lane, it struck the Mauldin auto head-on.

The accident raises the number of traffic deaths in DeKalb County this year to 16.

September 20, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Graveside services for Acevedo baby

9-20-79

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Corunna Cemetery for Stacy Lynn Acevedo, infant daughter of Hector and Cindy Acevedo, Rt. 1, Corunna. The baby was born Friday afternoon in Parkview Memorial Hospital and died at 4:25 p.m. Sunday.

Surviving in addition to her parents are her maternal grandparents, Mrs. Beverly Wattier, Auburn; and Edison Shippy, Rt. 2, Kendallville; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Agustin Acevedo, Puerto Rico; and maternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Squier, Hudson, and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Shippy, Rt. 2, Kendallville.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Former Garrett resident dies

9-20-79

Funeral services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at the Klink Memorial Chapel, Angola, for Marion P. Detar, 54, who died Tuesday evening at her home in Howell, Mich. Friends may call this evening between 7 and 9 o'clock.

She is a former Garrett resident and lived on North Randolph street extended until last April.

Survivors include her husband, Marshall, four children, two sisters, two brothers, her mother and nine grandchildren.

Final rites Friday for Clara Garst

9-20-79

Clara N. Garst, 95, died at 2:20 a.m. Wednesday at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where she had lived since Nov. 6, 1975. She was a longtime resident at 111½ North Second street.

Born Sept. 13, 1884, at Converse, she had observed her 95th birthday last week. She was the daughter of William H. and Luzetta (Draper) Snyder. She married Owen C. Garst in 1914 and he died in June 1945.

Survivors include one son, Merle Westfall, Diamond City, Ark.; one brother, Gordon Snyder, Wabash; one grandchild and four step-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Thursday. Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday with Pastor Ronald Bowman officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. The Eagles Auxiliary will hold memorial services at 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary, Eagles Auxiliary, Elks Emblem Club and the Garrett United Methodist Church. Preferred memorials are to the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Rites Friday for Auburn man

9-20-79

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday in Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, for Carl S. Hart, 60, of Goleta, Calif., who died at 10 p.m. Sunday in Santa Barbara. He had been ill nine months and a patient at the hospital for two weeks.

Born Nov. 3, 1918 in Sturgis, Mich., the son of Charles and Ruby Hart, he married Betty Thomas in Auburn in 1941. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, two brothers, five sisters, including Mrs. William (Barbara) Rowe of Garrett, and three granddaughters.

Rev. Carl Greek of the Auburn Nazarene Church will officate at the services and burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Funeral today for Loyd W. Lash

9-20-79

Funeral services were held this morning for Loyd W. Lash, 73, a resident at the Veterans Home, Lafayette, who died there at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday.

He was born Aug. 18, 1906, to Anthony A. and Carolyn (Books) Lash.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. D. W. (Grace) Fraze, 304 South Lee street, and Mrs. Lance (Vera) Shaffer, Kendallville; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral mass was in the Veterans Home Chapel, Lafayette. A military graveside service will be at 3 p.m. today at Lake View Cemetery.

September 24, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Services held for Aloysius Richter

9-24-79

Funeral services were held this morning at 10 a.m. for Aloysius J. Richter, 84, who died Friday at 1:15 p.m. at Saint Anne Home, Fort Wayne.

He was born Feb. 5, 1895, in Garrett to Mathias and Agatha (Hahn) Richter and lived at 304 South Hamsher street until entering the home in 1977. He was employed as a boilermaker on the B & O Railroad for 50 years before his retirement and also served during World War I in the army.

Survivors include his wife, Mary O. (Teders) Richter; two sons, John and Maynard, Fort Wayne; four daughters, Mrs. David (Rita) Persing, Neb.; Mrs. Robert (Barbara) Hanna, Conn.; Mrs. Ervin (Mary Ann) Patrick, N. Y.; Mrs. Ralph (Theresa) Hoy, N. Y.; one brother, Nicholas Richter, Chicago; and 34 grandchildren.

The funeral was held at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery with military services by the Garrett American Legion.

He was a member of the Holy Name, American Legion and Knights of Columbus.

September 27, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites Wednesday for Arvilla Lee

9-27-79

Funeral services were conducted at McKee Funeral Home Wednesday at 10 a.m. for Arvilla M. Lee, 75, former Garrett resident who died at the Cameron Hospital, Angola, Monday at 2:40 p.m.

Born Jan. 7, 1904, in Tillman, she had lived at 110 South Cowen street until moving to Elliott Manor, Angola in 1974. She was the widow of Phillip Lee.

She is survived by a half-brother, Elton Heath, Fort Wayne; and a half-sister, Genevieve Baumgardner, Columbia City.

Rev. Norman Fuller, pastor of the Missionary Church, Angola, officiated at the services and burial was in Bowers Cemetery, in Allen County.

Rites Wednesday for A.F. McCarter

9-27-79

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for A. Foss McCarter, well known area farmer and apple grower. He died at 4:30 a.m. Monday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Nov. 20, 1893 in Pierceton, Ind., he had lived northeast of Garrett since 1942. He was married to Mary E. Clark June 6, 1929 in Auburn and she survives. Other survivors are one daughter, Mrs. John V. Karnes, Defiance, O., and five grandchildren.

He was a member of the Garrett United Methodist church and Ron Bowman, pastor of the church, officiated at the services.

Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Pierceton. Preferred memorials are to the United Methodist Church or the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

October 1, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Calling today for Willis Hecht, 52

10-1-79

Willis (Bill) Hecht, 52, 113 South Hamsher street, suffered a heart attack and was dead on arrival at DeKalb Memorial Hospital Sunday at 3:06 a.m.

He was born Jan. 15, 1927, in Hudson to Ort and Maude (Hill) Hecht. He married Ruth M. Anthony on June 18, 1961, in Angola. She survives. He was employed at Bohn Aluminum & Brass Co., Butler, and was a World War II veteran.

Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. John Hetherington, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Other survivors besides the wife are one daughter, Mrs. Michael Fugate Sr., 113 South Hamsher street; one son, Willis Jr., at home; two brothers, Russell, Macy; Harlow, Pleasant Lake; four sisters, Mrs. David Cook and Mrs. Edwin Meek, both of Pleasant Lake; Mrs. Wilma McClish, Angola; Mrs. Virgil Cavinder, South Bend; and two grandchildren.

Ellen Moorhouse dies at age 92

10-1-79

Funeral services were held this morning at 10 a.m. for Ellen Moorhouse, 92, who died Saturday at 7 a.m. at Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Miss Moorhouse was born June 20, 1887, near Albion, to John and Rebecca (Monroe) Moorhouse. She was a retired school teacher, having taught for many years in the Elkhart area. She lived in Garrett for many years. She is survived by one brother, J. B. Moorhouse, Pekin, Ill.

Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, conducted the last rites at the church with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla. Rosary Society held services Sunday at 8 p.m., followed by D of I services.

She was a member of St. Joseph Church, Rosary Society, Daughter of Isabella and the National Retired Teachers Association.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mother of Mrs. Sickmiller dies

10-1-79

Funeral services will be conducted today at 2 p.m. at the St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Ohio, for Mrs. Erna D. Engler, 83, Napoleon, mother of Mrs. Robert (Eileen) Sickmiller, Rt. 1, Garrett.

Mrs. Engler had been a patient for a week at the Fulton County Health Center, Wauseon, Ohio.

She was born Nov. 19, 1895, in Henry County, Ohio, the daughter of the late Frank and Sophia (Behrens) Boesling, and widow of the late Frank D. Engler.

Surviving besides the daughter in Garrett are two other daughters; Mrs. Martin (Hilda) Bretz, Rt. 1, McClure, Ohio; and Mrs. Louis (Rosella) Bergstedt, Rt. 1, Delta, Ohio; three sons, Charles, Ridgeville, Ohio; Berdette and Martin, both of Napoleon; a brother, Lewis Boesling, Rt. 1, Liberty Center, Ohio; 25 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, the Mission Society and a former choir member.

The Rev. E. A. Laabs and Rev. Paul A. Weber will officate at the services. Burial will be at Forest Hill Cemetery, Napoleon. The Wesche Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Auburn mother of two killed in two-car crash

10-8-79

An 18-year-old Auburn mother of two was killed one mile north of South Milford Thursday afternoon and her two children and another woman were injured in the two-vehicle head-on collision.

Darlene Streets was driving south on Ind. 3, went off the right side of the road where there was virtually no shoulder, apparently overcompensated to get back on the road, crossed the center line and struck a northbound pickup truck.

Mrs. Streets died of massive chest injuries and a broken neck, according to investigating police.

Gladys Caudill, 36, Bronson, Mich., was northbound in a 1974 pickup. She suffered a head laceration and multiple contusions and was taken to the Lagrange County Hospital. Both of Mrs. Streets' children were taken to McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville. Heather, four months old, suffered lacerations to her forehead, and back of her head and buttocks. Chastity, 18 months old, suffered lacerations to her forehead.

Mrs. Caudill was following her husband and a son who were driving a larger truck and when Mr. Caudill no longer saw his wife in his rearview mirror he turned around and discovered the accident.

Mrs. Streets is survived by her husband, the two children, her parents, a sister and five brothers.

Funeral services were conducted at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville Sunday at 4 p.m.

Rites today for Blanche Anderson

10-8-79

Funeral services will be held at the McKee Funeral Home today at 1:30 p.m. for Blanche Anderson, 79, lifelong Garrett resident and former restaurant operator. She died at 4:55 p.m. Thursday at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Dec. 31, 1899, to Charles and Bertha Hoose in Lorraine, she had lived here all of her life. She was married to Philmer Anderson and he is deceased. She is survived by three sons, Kenneth, Deming, N.M.; Murland, Fort Wayne; Philmer, Monticello; two daughters, Mrs. Anthony (Marguerette) Liss, Danville, Ill.; and Mrs. Robert (Phyllis) Kinder, Garrett; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veteran of Foreign Wars.

James Platner, pastor of the First Church of Christ, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Brother of Sylvia Marti dies at age 76

10-8-79

Edward Schlotterback, 76, North Windham, Maine, formerly of Garrett, died Sept. 30 at his home. He is a sister of Mrs. Sylvia Marti, 302½ South Walsh street.

He was born Sept. 26, 1903, in Avilla to Albert and Nancy (Bair) Schlotterback. He left Garrett 45 years ago and was a retired mason.

Survivors inlcude his wife, Beatrice, one son, LeRoy, at home; and the sister in Garrett.

Funeral services were held last Thursday at Hay & Peabody Mortuary, Portland, Maine.

Mrs. Marti and her daughter, Mrs. Becky Obendorf, Garrett, attended the services and returned home Friday.

October 11, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites today for Avilla woman

10-11-79

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at the McKee Funeral Home for Lillie A. Pfleidner, 90, Avilla, who had been a patient at the Kendallville Nursing Home, Kendallville, since 1977. She died at 7 a.m. Tuesday.

Born Sept. 19, 1889 in Swan Township, Noble County to John and Suzanna Yarian, she and R. T. Pfleidner were married April 12, 1911 and he preceeded her in death in 1976. She is survived by one son, Raymond, Rt. 1, Avilla; two daughters, Mrs. Howard Anderson, Rt. 1, Avilla; Mrs. Walter Klinger, Rt. 1, Avilla; 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Hopewell Presbyterian Church and Rev. Donald A. Abbey, pastor of the church will officiate at the services. Rev. Gary D. Klinger, Auburn Nazarene Church, will assist.

Burial will be in Hoopers Cemetery, Avilla. Preferred Memorials are to the Gideon Society.

October 15, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Larry Griffith dies at birth

10-15-79

Larry Lee Griffith died at birth at 10:05 a.m. Saturday at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

His parents are Jeffrey and Lynn (Auld) Griffith, 102½ East King street. Other survivors include the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Griffith, Garrett; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Auld, Avilla; paternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Griffith, Auburn; and Mr. and Mrs. Cliffton Dragoo, Hamilton; maternal great-grandparents, Mrs. Hattie Auld and Mrs. Bessie Zorger, both of Fort Wayne.

Graveside rites will be held at Christian Union Cemetery at 10 a.m. Tuesday with Rev. Patrick Chaffin, pastor of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, Corunna, officiating.

McKee Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Emitt F. Hurd dies at age 76

10-15-79

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. today for Emitt F. Hurd, 76, Auburn, who died at 5:55 p.m. Thursday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He is a brother of Charles Hurd, Garrett.

He was born Aug. 3, 1903, in Picquay, Ohio, to John and Minnie (Painter) Hurd. He married Marie Greenfield on Jan. 20, 1962, and she survives. He is a retired baker and was last employed at White's Westwood Supermarket.

Other survivors besides the wife and brother in Garrett are one other brother, Harold, Marlett, Mich., one sister, Mrs. Hugh (Nellie) Rynearson, Auburn, seven stepchildren and three grandchildren. His only son, Richard, is deceased.

Services will be held at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Burials will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Funeral held for Barbara Malcolm

10-15-79

Funeral services were held at the Garrett United Presbyterian Church Saturday at 1:30 p.m. for Barbara L. Malcolm, 51, who died at DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 11:29 a.m. Thursday. She was taken to the hospital that morning.

Born June 14, 1928 to Emmett and Beiola Stotts, she married Scott Malcolm Jr. July 26, 1946 and he survives. Other survivors include one son, Kevin, at home. Twin sons preceeded her in death in 1947. She is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. L. J. Swartz, Lima, O., and Mrs. Landerda Long, Park Falls, Wisc.

Mrs. Malcolm was a member of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church and Rev. Allen T. Reed officiated at the services. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

McKee Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Auburn cyclist killed

10-15-79

Jeffrey Stuart, 25, 825 North Van Buren street, Auburn, was killed in a motorcycle accident at 2:30 a.m. Saturday on DeKalb County Road 68. His was the county's 18th death in 1979.

Investigating police state the victim suffered massive head injuries and a dislocated left shoulder. He was not wearing a helmet.

Stuart was driving his motorcycle eastbound on County Road 68 when he went left of center into the ditch, striking a fence and a guy wire. The crash happened about two miles east of Old 427.

October 18, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Dr. Charles Abell dies in Marion

Private graveside rites will be held today for Dr. Charles F. Abell, 69, Marion, who died Monday at 5:05 a.m. at Marion General Hospital, Marion, where he had been a patient five days.

Dr. Abell was born in Garrett Nov. 8, 1909, to Charles H. and Queen E. (Frederick) Abell. He was an orthopedic surgeon in Marion.

He was a graduate of Culver Military Academy, Culver; Ohio State University, Columbus; Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia; and served his internship at Marion County General Hospital, now Wishard Hospital.

He was a member of the Grant County Medical Society, American Medical Association and one of the founders of Professional Arts Center Building, Marion.

He is survived by his wife, Polly, one son, Dr. Charles F. Abell Jr., Upland, Calif.; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The Raven Funeral Home, Marion, is in charge of arrangements. The body was cremated and the private rites will be at Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville, with Rev. Robert Bardeen, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Marion, officiating.

Preferred memorials are to be sent to the Coronary Care Unit, Marion General Hospital.

Rites Wednesday for John Demske

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church for John N. Demske, 85, retired B & O Railroad engineer, who died at his home at 8 p.m. Sunday. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Born Oct. 6, 1894, in Avilla, to Martin and Balbina Demske, he had lived most of his life in Garrett at 407 South Ijams street. He and Margaret Cahill, Fort Wayne, were married June 22, 1926, and she preceeded him in death Nov. 2, 1973.

Survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Palnszak, New Castle, Pa., and Miss Valeria Demske, Fort Wayne.

He was a member of the Holy Name Society, a Fourth Degree K. of C., the Eagles, Elks, the Avilla American Legion and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of St. Joseph, officiated at the services and Rev. James Shafer assisted. Graveside military rites were conducted by the Avilla American Legion.

Preferred Memorials are to the St. Joseph School in Garrett.

Rites Tuesday for local woman's mother in Berne

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Downing Funeral Home, Berne, for Mrs. Lovina J. Van Emons, 77, mother of Mrs. Ronald Elberson, 1116 South Peters street, who died at the Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton, Sunday.

Born Oct. 22, 1901, in Ossian, she was married to Raymond Van Emons and he survives in Berne. Other survivors include two other daughters, Mrs. Roy Sordelet, Fort Wayne; Mrs. James Hubert, Cleveland; two sons, Kenneth and Elwin Van Emons, both of Berne; a sister, Mrs. Lois Dawson, Ossian; 20 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the High Street United Methodist Church, Berne, and Rev. Robert Boggs, pastor of the church, officiated at the services and burial was in Six Mile Cemetery, Bluffton.

Preferred Memorials are to the Cancer Society.

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Former teacher dies in Marion

Mrs. Nancy Davis Fitch, former well-known and liked history and dramatics teacher at Garrett High School in the 1920's-30's-40's died Monday in Marion General Hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was 84 years old and is survived by her husband, Ivan, brother of former Garrett Chief of Police Oscar Fitch. They had celebrated their fifty-first wedding anniversary July 18.

People attending the funeral from Garrett were Mrs. George Wyatt and Mrs. Oscar Fitch, both sisters-in-law of Mrs. Fitch. Also attending from Denver, Colo, was a great niece, Sandy Fitch Colby.

Rites today for Bertha Marr

10-22-79

Funeral services will be held today at 10:30 a.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for Bertha L. Marr, 61, Greenview Addition, who died at the McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, Monday at 9:45 p.m. She had been ill for five years.

A retired General Electric Company employe, she was born Oct. 9, 1918 in Fort Wayne. She and Doyle Marr were married Dec. 2, 1952 in Waterloo and she survives. Other survivors are a step-son, Doyle L. Marr Jr., Butler; a brother, Phillip McCague, Fort Wayne; and two step-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Emblem Club of the Elks, Eagles Auxiliary, VFW Auxiliary and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Rev. James Shivers, pastor of the Assembly of God church, will officate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Cancer Fund.

October 29, 1979
Garrett Clipper

Delores H. Alley dies at age 66

Delores H. Alley, 66, Rt. 1, Auburn, died Oct. 21 at 7:25 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She is a former Garrett resident. She had been ill 1½ years and in the hospital four weeks.

Funeral services were held last Wednesday at Bale Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Russell Brayton, pastor of Pleasant Lake Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. The family requests preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Humane Society.

Mrs. Alley was born March 11, 1913, in Elkhart, to John F. and Bertha S. (Hennesey) Boren. She and Walter (Bud) Alley were married June 4, 1937, in Auburn. He survives. She retired in October 1978 from Messengers Corp., Auburn.

Other survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Vaugh Roberts, Angola; Mrs. Ron Grable, Butler; Mrs. Jerry Pepple, Auburn; one son, David, Auburn; one sister, Juanita Boren, Garrett; and 13 grandchildren. One brother and two sisters preceded her in death.

November 1, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Local woman's brother dies

Lawrence Whysong, 59, brother of Mrs. Kathryn Rowe of Garrett, died at his home in Waterloo Friday.

Born Dec. 3, 1919 in Angola, he was the son of Ford and Jennie Whysong. He and Nancy Conley were married June 8, 1953 and she survives. He was an employee of the Wakefield Corporation in Waterloo and was a WW II veteran.

Survivors in addition to the wife are three daughters, one son; Mrs. Rowe; two brothers and one grandchild.

Funeral services were at the Feller-Graffis Funeral Home in Waterloo Monday at 10 a.m. Burial followed in the Trinity Cemetery at Salem Center.

November 5, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Sister of Garrett woman dies

11-5-79

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Chalfant-Perry-Klaehn Funderal Home, Fort Wayne, for Isabell E. Henschen, 83, Fort Wayne, a sister of Agnes Emmons of Garrett.

Mrs. Henschen, a lifelong Fort Wayne resident, was the first woman every employed by Peter Eckrich Co., Fort Wayne, and retired in 1960 after 18 years with the firm.

Survivors in addition to Mrs. Emmons are a daughter in Fort Wayne and a brother, also of Fort Wayne.

Burial was in Concordia Cemetery.

Sister of John V. Hutton dies

Florence Steward 11-5-79

A former Garrett resident and a sister of John V. Hutton, 601 South Walsh street, died Thursday evening in Hammond. She had been ill for a considerable period of time.

Born Jan. 30, 1906 she and Kenneth Steward were married and he preceded her in death. They were the parents of one son, Jack W. Turner, Hammond, and a daughter, Joy, who died at the age of 10 years old. Another brother T. H. Hutton of Niles, Mich., also survives, as do two grandchildren.

The body will be cremated and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Final arrangements have not been completed for the burial services, however.

November 8, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Mother of Betty Jean Bailey dies

11-8-79

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the D. O. McComb Funeral Home in Fort Wayne, for Florence Douglas, 70, who died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Sunday at 1:30 p.m., where she had been a patient since Sept. 29. She was the mother of Betty Jean Bailey of Garrett.

Mrs. Douglas, a native of Laud, had lived in Fort Wayne most of her life and was a cafeteria employe for ARA at Magnavox Corp.

Survivors in addition to the Garrett daughter are the husband, Charles; two sons; another daughter and a sister.

Preferred memorials are gifts to the Allen County Cancer Society.

Christine Watson, 17, died Tuesday

11-8-79

Christine D. Watson, 17, Rt. 3, Auburn, died Tuesday at 12:40 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient three days.

She was born Jan. 29, 1962, in Kendallville to Mack and Betsy (Clark) Watson. They survive. She was a sophomore at Garrett High School.

Other survivors include two brothers, Steven and Tony, at home; and one sister, Mrs. Steven Thimlar, Rt. 1, Butler.

Funeral services will be held at McKee Funeral Home at 10:30 a.m. Friday with James Platner, minister of the First Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Calling will be at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Georgia Withrow dies in Flordia

11-8-79

Former Garrett resident Georgia Withrow, 69, died Tuesday in Manatee Memorial Hospital, Bradenton, Fla. She was the widow of Norval Withrow, a Garrett Post Office mail carrier, who died Jan. 10, 1976.

She was born Feb. 17, 1910, in DeKalb County and married Mr. Withrow Oct. 6, 1928, in Garrett.

Survivors include one son, Norval Withrow, Delmar, Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. Wayne Michael, Daytona Beach, Fla.; one brother, Estel Coburn, Bradenton; one sister, Mrs. Audry Wilmot, St. Joe; and eight grandchildren.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Friday at McKee Funeral Home. Services will be at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Saturday with John P. Hill, minister of the Coburn Corners Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery, St. Joe.

November 12, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites Saturday for Josephine Beber

11-12-79

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the St. Joseph Catholic Church for Josephine Beber, 55, of 319 South Johnston street, who died at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, at 10:45 p.m. Wednesday, where she had been a patient since Monday.

Mrs. Beber was born Jan. 5, 1924, at Erie, Pa., the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mikielski. On Jan. 5, 1946 she married William E. Beber at Erie, Pa., who survives. They are the parents of a son, William J. Beber, Fort Wayne, and three daughters, Mrs. Michael Bailey, Muskegon, Mich.; Mrs. William (Chuck) Ort, 110 South Franklin street; and Mrs. Lawrence Lung, Auburn. Other survivors include 11 grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. Joseph Skladonoski and Mrs. Jane Steigmeyer, Erie, Pa.

The Bebers have resided in Garrett since 1946 and she was a former employe of the Creek Chub Bait Co.

Mrs. Beeber was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and Harvest House.

Rosary services were recited Friday evening. Rev. Adam Schmitt officiated at the services and burial was in Calvary Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Funeral held for Arthur DePew

11-12-79

Arthur W. DePew, 58, a native of Garrett and a resident here all of his life, died of a heart attack at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne at 9:30 p.m. Thursday. He had been at the hospital just one day.

Born April 26, 1921, he had lived in the Altona area and was a retired employee of Dana Corporation. He was a World War II veteran, having served in the U. S. Army.

He and Lorene Lash were married June 4, 1945 in Tampa, Fla., and she survives. They are the parents of three sons, Larry A. and Leslie, both of Rt. 1, Garrett and Ritchie, Kendallville; two daughters, Mrs. James (Janice) Richardson, Kendallville and Mrs. Randall (Jean) Rupp, West Lafayette; and seven grandchildren.

Mr. DePew was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge, and the Garrett Eagles.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the McKee Funeral Home, with Ronald Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church officiating. Masonic services were held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home and military graveside services were held at the Embry Cemetery with the American Legion conducting the services.

Rites Tuesday for mother of Aurellia McKee

11-12-79

Funeral services will be held at the St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla, Tuesday at 11 a.m. for Julia Fortman, 88, mother of Mrs. Everett (Aurellia) McKee of 608 West King street. Mrs Fortman died at 5:10 p.m. Sunday at the Byron Health Center. She had been a resident there for seven years.

Born June 9, 1891 to John and Philomenia Teders in Avilla, she had been a resident of the Avilla area most of her life. She married William Fortman, Oct. 16, 1912 in Avilla and he preceeded her in death in 1962. In addition to the Garrett daughter, she is survived by one son, Robert of Fort Wayne; one sister, Mary Teders of the Byron Health Center; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Rosary Society and the St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla and services will be conducted by Rev. Dennis W. Dennihan, pastor of the church. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla.

Rosary will be recited at 7;30 p.m. tonight at the McKee Funeral Home, and friends may call after 2 p.m. today.

November 15, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Rites today for George Novinger

11-15-79

Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock this morning at the McKee Funeral Home for George Novinger, 73, a native of Garrett, who died of a heart attack at 4 p.m. Monday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born July 23, 1906 in Garrett to George and Fannie Novinger, he currently lived in Auburn. He was a retired steel foreman. He and Shirley Goritz were married Nov. 11, 1943 in Chicago and she preceeded him in death in 1975.

He is survived by one daughter, Bonnie, Fort Wayne; one brother, Carl, Auburn; two sisters, Mrs. Marion Carlson, Auburn and Mrs. Grace Bird, South Bend.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the Garrett Presbyterian Church, conducted the services and burial was made in Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Rites held for Howard Tibbals

11-15-79

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral home in Auburn for former Garrett resident Howard Tibbals, 64, who died at 1:18 p.m. Monday in the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

An employe of Magnavox in Fort Wayne, he was born in Garrett July 4, 1915 to the late Howard and Alta Tibblas. He was also preceded in death by one brother and one sister.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, whom he married in Greenwood, Miss., on Jan. 20, 1944. He was a past Commander of the Auburn American Legion Post and a past Northern Vice-Commander of the American Legion. He was a member of the Auburn Elks lodge and a past member of the Moose in Auburn as well as a member of the United Methodist church in Auburn.

Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery with Rev. Carl Wirey officiating. Full military graveside services were also conducted.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

November 19, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Services held for B. Banks, 71

11-19-79

Funeral services were held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee Funeral Home for B. Banks, 71, 503 South Lee street, who died at 3:55 p.m. Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Banks was born June 27, 1908, in Kentucky to Green and Nannie (Ratliff) Banks. He married Georgia Brock on Nov. 10, 1925, in Hazard, Ky. She died June 12, 1971. He was retired from Fort Wayne Structural Steel.

Survivors include four sons, R. V. and Stanley Banks, at home; Alvis and J. C. Banks, Auburn; seven daughters, Mrs. Rhoda Maloney, Rt. 1, Garrett; Mrs. Opal Fugate, Garrett; Mrs. Guy Feighner, Columbia City; Mrs. John Terry and Mrs. Chester Terry, Rt. 2, Kendallville; Mrs. Richard Hunter, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Sherman Johnson, Jackson, Ky.; one sister, Mrs. Stanley Arms, Pierceton; 48 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Free Bible Tabernacle Church of God, Garrett. Rev. Sam Sawyers, pastor of the Church of God, South Milford, officiated and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

November 21, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Former Garrett woman dies in Ohio

Rosa Ann Bloom, Fostoria, Ohio, died Oct. 25 in Providence Hospital, Sandusky, Ohio.

She was born Jan. 31, 1929 in Garrett to Louis and Marguerite Bloom and the mother survives. She is also survived by a brother, Wilbur, Fostoria; four sisters, May Schauer, Jerry City, Ohio; Illien Tarlton (Mrs. Calvin), Garrett; Jean Wobser, Ashland; and Joan Tyson, Wayne, Ohio; and her grandmother, Rheua Simonis of Fort Wayne.

She was a member of St. Wendelin Catholic Church and a cook at McClellan Restaurant, Alvada.

Father of Mrs. Stroman dies

11-21-79

Carl Leas, 90, a patient at Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler, died Tuesday at 12:15 a.m. He is the father of Mrs. Merritt Stroman, 605 Oakleaf Dr., and had been a patient in the nursing home for three years.

Mr. Leas was born Jan. 24, 1889, to Hezakiah and Carrie (Kestler) Leas. He married Grace Boyer in February, 1909. She died in October, 1952. He was a retired farmer.

Other survivors besides the daughter in Garrett are one son, Stanley B. Leas, Moore, Okla.; three step-daughters, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. One son, Ross Leas, died in 1914 at age four.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. Thursday at Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday with Rev. Wayne W. Davis, former pastor of the Helmer United Methodist Church and supply pastor at the Orland-Nevada Mills Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

November 26, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Father of local woman dies

11-26-79

George F. Carpenter, 73, Fort Wayne, died at 2 p.m. Thursday at his home following a lengthy illness. He is the father of Judy Von Houten, Garrett.

Private services will be held today at Tom Mungovan Funeral Home and burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

Other survivors include his wife, Virginia, three sons, Robert, David and John, all of Fort Wayne; six other daughters, Betty Lou Carpenter, Martinsville, W. Va., Anna Marie Carpenter, Houston, Texas, and Debbra Belcher, Shirley Hodges, Carlyn Moss and Sharon Marie Carpenter, all of Fort Wayne; one sister, Bertha Forman, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Carpenter was a native of Middlebury, Ohio, and a retired employe of National Serv-All.

Funeral today for Helen M Collins

11-26-79

Sister Helen M. (Dominique) Collins, 69, died at 5:30 a.m. Wednesday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She lived in Youngstown, Ohio, most of her life and then with her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Stephenson, Rt. 1, Garrett, for the past seven months.

She was born Dec. 21, 1909, in Glasgow, Scotland, to Joseph and Elizabeth (Mackin) Murray. She was preceded in death by her husband James, on Dec. 1, 1971.

Other survivors include a brother, Joseph Murray, Glasgow; one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Boyle, Glasgow, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held this morning at 10 a.m. at Barrancas National Cemetery Chapel, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. Burial was in Barrancas National Cemetery. She was a member of St. Hughs Catholic Church, Coconut Grove, Fla.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

Former resident dies in Fort Wayne

11-26-79

Services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday in the D. O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, for Cecil Johnson, 76, of 726 Kinsmoore Avenue, Fort Wayne, who died at 6 p.m. last Tuesday in a local nursing home. She was a native of Marion.

Her husband, Lowell, is deceased. While in Garrett they lived on North Randolph street extended. She was retired in 1968 from Electric Motors & Specialties, Inc.

Surviving are three daughters, Janice Faux, Fort Wayne, Jean Chambers, Owosso, Mich.; and Jackie Malone of Burr Oak, Mich.; three sons, Phillip L. of Cadillac, Mich., Edmund of Marion, and George of Sturgis, Mich.; and a brother James Ring of Marion.

Graveside services were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the IOOF Cemetery, Marion.

Rites Tuesday for Irene Rider, 76

11-26-79

Irene B. Rider, 76, 206 East King street, died Sunday at 9 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient two days.

She was born June 28, 1903, in St. Joe to Charles and Harriet (Hart) Bills. She married Merrill E. Rider in June, 1922. He survives.

Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Pat O'Brien, Fort Wayne; one brother, Russell Bills, South Bend; two sisters, Mrs. Taylor Hollingsworth and Mrs. Paul Ganger, both of South Bend and one granddaughter, Miss Janet O'Brien, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at McKee Funeral Home with Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home one hour prior to services. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Final rites held for Mrs. Ort

11-26-79

Funeral services were conducted at the McKee Funeral Home Sunday at 1:30 p.m. for Frances J. Ort, widow of Charles Ort, who died at 6:25 p.m. Thanksgiving Day at the Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She had lived there since June 23, 1976.

Born Dec. 27, 1889 in Garrett to William and Rebecca Erickson, she had lived here all of her life. She and Charles Ort were married Oct. 12, 1911 in Garrett and he preceeded her in death in 1973.

Survivors include one son, William, 609 East South street, and one daughter, Miss Madalin Ort, 505 East Warfield street; one brother, Archie Erickson, West Virginia; three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and the First Church of Christ.

James Platner, pastor of the Garrett First Church of Christ officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. OES services were conducted at the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 8 p.m.

November 29, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Services held for Mrs. Cleo Beeber

11-29-79

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday morning at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church for Hilda A. Beeber, 73, 318 South Johnson street, who died at 3:15 a.m. Monday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient there since last Saturday.

She was born in Garrett on July 10, 1906, to the late Joseph K. and Gertrude R. (Zerker) Miller. On Oct. 30, 1934, she married Cleo Beeber, who survives. Also surviving are two sons; Joseph, Fort Wayne, and Thomas, Avilla; three daughters; Mrs. Thomas Kappel, Rt. 1, Garrett, Miss Mary Ruth Beber and Miss Naomi Beeber, both of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Miss Mary Miller of 419 South Guilford street, and Mrs. Clara Sliger, Corunna; and 13 grandchildren.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Rosary Society and Daughters of Isabella.

Rev. Adam Schmitt officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Rosary Society services were held Tuesday evening followed by Daughters of Isabella. The family request preferred memorials to St. Joseph School.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Sister of Garrett residents dies

11-29-79

Lucille Burhenn, 63, Wolcottville, died at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday at her residence.

Friends may call at the Hutchins-Williams Funeral Home in Wolcottville from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. today and after noon Friday at the Messiah Lutheran Church in Wolcottville, where services will be held at 2 p.m. with Rev. William B. Oaksford officiating. Burial will be in Orange Cemetery.

She was born in Garrett Nov. 16, 1916, to Paul and Mollie (Pausel) Diederich. She married Charles B. Burhenn Aug. 30, 1935, in Fort Wayne. He survives. They had lived in the Wolcottville area for the past 11 years.

Other survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Norvin (Mary Ann) McClure, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Wilbur (Margaret) Conrad, New Haven; Mrs. Keith (Virginia) Strock, Garrett; and two brothers, Robert and Wayne Diederich, both of Garrett.

Former music teacher here dies last Wednesday

11-29-79

Gilbert Coble, 76, a native of Paragon, and the well-remembered music and art teacher at Garrett for many years, died last Wednesday at 12:45 p.m. in the Morgan County Memorial Hospital after a three weeks illness.

He is survived by a sister, Mary Duckworth of Paragon, three nephews and five nieces.

He retired in 1969 after teaching music and art for 43 years in Odon, Garrett and Wayne Township in Marion County.

He was a veteran of World War II in the United States Air Force. He graduated from Paragon High School and the former Central Normal College in Danville. He did post graduate work at Indiana University and the University of Wisconsin. He also studied at the Julliard School of Music.

He was a life member of the National Education Association, and had memberships in the Indiana and National Teachers Associations and retired teachers organizations.

Coble was also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, Society of Indiana Pioneers and the American Legion.

Cure and Hensley Funeral home were in charge of arrangements. There were no funeral services and no visiting. The body is to be cremated and buried at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the scholarship fund, Friends of Music, U.U. Foundation, Bloomington.

December 3, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Funeral today for Newton Francis

12-3-79

J. Newton Francis, 69, Corunna, died Friday at 8 a.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, where he had been a patient one day.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the Cournna United Brethren in Christ Church with Rev. Robert Staup,, pastor, officiating. Friends may call at McKee Funeral Home until noon and then at the church. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Mr. Francis was born July 12, 1910, in Bronson, Kan., to Jasper N. and Malinda (Garfield) Francis. He married Irene McDonald April 4, 1945, in Corunna. She survives. He was a DeKalb County Highway employe.

Other survivors besides the wife are one son, Don Francis, 704 East King street; one sister, Mrs. Alice Bodey, 1416 West King street, and two grandchildren.

Charles Hamm Sr. dies at his home

12-3-79

Funeral services were conducted this morning at 10 a.m. at McKee Funeral Home for Charles G. (Steve) Hamm Sr., 89, of 1309 South Randolph street. Mr. Hamm died at his home sometime Thursday.

He was born Aug. 24, 1890, at St. Joe, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hamm. He was married to Dorance Stuckman, who resides at the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Other survivors include a son, Charles G. Hamm Jr., 1003 East Houston street; one daughter, Mrs. Paul Wilmot, Turkey Lake; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Hamm was a World War I veteran and a retired brakeman on the B & O Railroad. He was a member of the Garrett American Legion Post.

Pastor Ronald Bowman of the Garrett United Methodist Church officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Funeral set for Joseph Payton

12-3-79

Funeral services will be held today at McKee Funeral Home at 3:30 p.m. for Joseph M. Payton, 46, who died Friday at 2:30 a.m. in Memorial Hospital at Lawton, Okla. He is a former Garrett resident.

Mr. Payton was born Feb. 2, 1933, at Mitchell to James and Elsie (Cooper) Payton. He married Betty Wedde on March 1, 1971, in Kinssimmee, Fla. She survives. He was a retired employe of Holiday Inns Florida and a Korean War veteran. He was a life member of the American Legion, Kinssimmee.

Other survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Franks, Hicksville, Ohio; Mrs. Duke Miler, Defiance, Ohio; Miss Brenda Payton, Ney, Ohio; one stepson, George Jenner, Festus, Miss.; one stepdaughter, Miss Rose Jenner, Lawton, Okla.; six brothers, George, 607 South Peters street; Charles, Lapeer, Mich.; Donald, Decatur, Ala.; Ronald, 308 South Randolph street; Larry, Auburn; Thomas, Lawton, Okla.; and eight grandchildren.

Rev. John Hetherington, pastor of Temple Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery. The American Legion and V.F.W. will hold military graveside rites.

Services held for Joan Wentland, 63

12-3-79

Joan Wentland, 63, Rt. 1, Garrett, died Thursday at 6:20 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient since Tuesday.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the Bible Baptist Church with Rev. Wayne E. Smith, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Wentland was born Dec. 9, 1915, in Garrett to Vasile and Maria (Petroka) Faor. She married John J. Wentland May 9, 1940, at Knox. He survives. She formerly owned and operated Glover Cleaners on West King street.

Other survivors, besides the husband, include one daughter, Mrs. Richard Dills, 608 South Franklikn street, one son, Charles W. Wentland, Fort Wayne; one brother, John V. Faor, Fort Wayne; one sister, Mrs. Dan Matter, Fort Wayne; and four grandchildren.

December 6, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Services held for Helen Byanskie

12-6-79

Miss Helen M. Byanskie, 80, died Monday at 6:30 a.m. at Fort Wayne Healthcare Center, where she had been a patient since August, 1978. She was a former resident of 218 South Guilford street.

Miss Byanskie was born Aug. 22, 1889, in Garrett to Louis A. and Rose (Poluszak) Byanskie. She was a retired employe of Creek Chub Bait Company. There are no immediate survivors.

Final rites were held at St. Joseph Catholic Church Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

She was a member of the Rosary Society and Daughters of Isabella who held services Tuesday evening.

McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

December 13, 1979

Garrett Clipper

12-13-79

Harold Milks, 71, dies suddenly

Harold Milks, 71, Scottsdale, Ariz., died suddenly Tuesday night. He is a former Garrett resident.

He was editor of the Arizona Republic News at the time of his death and a retired correspondent for the Associated Press.

Survivors include his wife, the former Evelyn Elam of Garrett, and a brother, Arthur Milks, Quincy, Mich. Two brothers, Max and John Milks, preceded him in death.

Arrangements are pending in Arizona.

Funeral conducted for Adelyn Thoman

12-13-79

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the D. O. McComb Lake Avenue Funeral Home for Adelyn S. Thoman, 75, mother of Lala Burns, owner of the Garrett House of Interior. She died at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient at the hospital since Nov. 26.

Born Feb. 23, 1904, in Henderson, Ky., she and Lloyd Thoman were married Feb. 19, 1937, in Evansville and moved to the Fort Wayne area later. He survives. Other survivors in addition to the Garrett daughter are two other daughters, Lee June Curry, Churubusco; and Phyllis Wass, Kendallville; eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

She was formerly employed by Nobson's of Fort Wayne but retired from there in 1959. She was also one of the sponsors of the Gospel Hour on radio. She was a member of the Fort Wayne Baptist Temple.

Mrs. Thoman was the last of 12 chilldren.

Rev. Warren Hiebert, pastor of the Emanuel Missionary Church officiated at the services and the burial was in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Mother of Dale Zolman buried

12-13-79

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Krider-Workman Memorial Chapel in Churubusco for Grace B. Zolman, 80, mother of Dale Zolman of Garrett. She died Sunday evening at Parkview Memorial Hospital after being ill since July.

Born March 6, 1899 in Noble County, she had lived most of her life in Churubusco. She and Garra Zolman were married and he preceeded her in death in May, 1947. In addition to the Garrett son, she is survived by three other sons, Charles, Zeeland, Mich.; Cline, and Robert, Churubusco; three brothers, William Rosenogle, Albuquerque, N. M.; Earl, Conquille, Ore.; Omar, Albion; two sisters, Mrs. Etta McCullough, Columbia City and Mrs. Bessie Bryie, Churubusco; 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the American Legion Post 157 Auxiliary, Churubusco and the Grace Lutheran Church, Columbia City.

Burial was in Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam, Ind. with Rev. Newell S. Nelson pastor of the Grace Lutheran Church conducting the services.

Preferred memorials are to the Cancer Society or the Church Building Fund.

December 20, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Garrett native dies in Texas

12-20-79

Word has been received by relatives in Garrett of the death of Robert R. Gerner of Houston, Tex., on Monday, Dec. 17.

He was born in Garrett, May 6, 1918, the son of Harold and Florence Gerner. In 1942 he married Ann Atkinson at Indianapolis. Surviving besides the wife is a son, Robert A., of Sterling, Va., a half-brother, Ralph Baker, a half-sister, Betty Baker, and an aunt, Mrs. Hazel Gerner all of Garrett.

Mr. Gerner was a 1936 graduate of Garrett High School, and graduated from Indiana University in 1940. He served in the U.S. Army in New Guinea and the Phillippines.

Funeral arrangements are still pending.

December 24, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Saturday rites for Edward Johnson

12-24-79

Funeral services were held at 10:30 Saturday morning at the St. Joseph Catholic Church for Edward J. (Bud) Johnson, 63, retired B. & O. engineer, who died at the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Thursday at 1:40 p.m. He had been at the hospital since Dec. 14.

Born July 28, 1916, in Garrett to Bernard and Jennie Johnson he lived here all of his life. His mother still survives. He and Marjorie DePew were married May 14, 1941 in Avilla and she survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Diana Beverly, 516 South Walsh street, and Mrs. Anita York, 706 South Guilford street; two sisters, Mrs. Catherine Wiant, 710 East Keyser street, and Mrs. Edward Reeves, Fort Wayne, and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church and the K. of C. Holy Name Rosary services were conducted at the McKee Funeral Home Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Adam Schmitt, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church officiated at the services and burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. McKee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Preferred Memorials are to the St. Joseph School.

Funeral held for Hattie Miller

12-24-79

Funeral services were held at the McKee Funeral Home Saturday at 10:32 a.m. for Hattie F. Miller, lifelong resident of Garrett who died at 6:40 p.m. Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been in failing health for seven years.

Born May 22, 1896 in Garrett, she recently lived at 1211 South Cowen street, Apt. 5. She and Martin Miller were married Sept. 26, 1967 and he survives. Other survivors include: one daughter, Mrs. Dick Poppele, Fort Wayne; one stepson, Martin Miller, Rt. 3, Auburn; three step-daughters, Mrs. Charles Baker, 524 South Randolph street; Mrs. Dwight McDaniel, 204 South Harrison street; and Mrs. Marcella McKinley, Deming, New Mexico; three brothers, Lloyd Kemery, Temple City, Calif; and Ted and John Kemery, Kendallville; two sisters, Mrs. Hazel Tuck, San Francisco and Mrs. Nellie Spitler, Auburn; two grandchildren, eight step-grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary, the Emblem Club, Rebekah Lodge and the Garrett United Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of the Presbyterian Church officiated at the services and burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

December 27, 1979
Garrett Clipper

Services Friday for John Grant

12-27-79

John A. (Jack) Grant, 72, Auburn, died Tuesdsay at 10 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been in failing health for 2½ years.

Funeral services will be held at Feller Graffis Funeral Home, Waterloo, at 1:30 p.m. Friday with Bob Haller, minister of the Lancaster, Ohio, Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Grant was born Sept. 20, 1907, in Garrett to James and Ethyl (Tubbs) Grant. He retired from International Harvester in 1970.

Survivors include his wife, the former Mildred Manon; two daughters, Mrs. Doris Bowers and Mrs. Sandra Carney, both of Auburn; one brother, August Grant, Greenbelt, Md.; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was a charter member of the Auburn Elks Lodge.

December 31, 1979
Garrett Clipper

Son of Everett Chisholm dies

12-31-79

Robert J. Chisholm, 47, died Thursday at 9 p.m. at the Blanchard Valley Hospital, Findlay Hospital, Findlay, Ohio. He had not been ill.

Funeral services will be held at Kirkpatrick Funeral Home, Findlay, at 11 a.m. this morning with Rev. Clifford R. Miller Jr., pastor of the First Lutheran Church, Findlay, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens, Findlay.

Mr. Chisholm was born April 9, 1932, at Garrett, the son of Everett Chisholm, Rt. 1, Garrett and the late Helen Hays Chisholm. He married Barbara A. York on Oct. 24, 1959, who survives. There are three children, Scott, Lisa and Todd, at home. There is also a step-brother, Michael Allison, Fort Worth, Tex.

He was a member of the First Lutheran Church, Moose Lodge, and active in the swimming program with the YMCA and the Findlay Area Swim Team. He was employed at the Dow Chemical Co., Findlay.

Joel Zerns, 35, dies suddenly

12-31-79

Joel M. Zerns, 35, Cambridge, Wisc., was dead on arrival at DeKalb Memorial Hospital at approximately 11:30 a.m. Sunday of an apparent heart attack. He and his family had been visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Maxwell Zerns, 417 West King street.

Mr. Zerns was born March 1, 1944, in Garrett to Maxwell and Marcella (VanLear) Zerns. He married Sidney Reese on Jan. 2, 1965, in Garrett. He lived in Garrett most of his life before moving to Cambridge 2½ years ago. He was employed in the Sales Dept. of Dana Corp. at Edgerton, Wisc. He was a Marine Air Corp veteran of the Viet Nam War.

Survivors besides his wife and mother are two children, Debbie, 13, and Scott, 9, and the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Florence VanLear, 1213 South Cowen street. His father preceded him in death on May 9, 1979.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee Funeral Home where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. Nelson Deuitch, Professor at Ontario Christian Seminary, Toronto, Canada, will officiate, assisted by James Platner, minister of the First Church of Christ. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery with military graveside rites by the American Legion and VFW.

Mr. Zerns was a member of the Garrett First Church of Christ and Garrett American Legion.

December 31, 1979

Garrett Clipper

Prominent Garrett businessman dies

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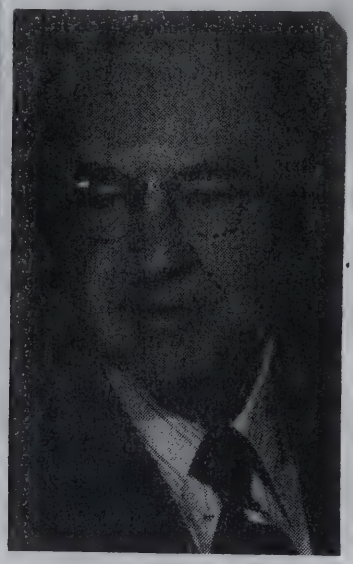

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Garrett United Methodist Church for Don E. Van Fleit, 86, who died Sunday at 4:35 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been in failing health for six months and a patient at the hospital for approximately two weeks. Mr. Van Fleit had been general manager and secretary of the Garrett Telephone Company since 1939.

Friends may call at the McKee Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. The body will be taken to the church at noon Wednesday.

Mr. Van Fleit was born March 18, 1893, to D. B. and Josephine (Smith) Van Fleit in Garrett and had been a resident here all of his life. He currently resided at 613 East Warfield street.

He and Edith Simon were married July 28, 1966, in Garrett and she survives. Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Earl Clark, 609 Oakleaf Drive; Mrs. Donald Kleeman, 1009 South Randolph street; one son, Dr. William E. Van Fleit, South Bend; one stepson, Lyle Simon, Nashville, Ind.; one foster son, James Herzer, 210 East King street; one sister, Mrs. Florence Fox, Washington, Ind.; 17 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. Two daughters, Mrs. Donald (Barbara) Painter and Mrs. Roger (Betty) Gordon preceded him in death.

Mr. Van Fleit was a 50-year member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge, the Gideon Society, the United Methodist Church and was the founder of the Methodist Seminary Student Aid Foundation.

Ron Bowman, pastor of the United Methodist Church, will officiate at the services and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the United Methodist Church or to the Gideon Society.

Mr. Van Fleit took over as manager of the Garrett Telephone Company in 1939 upon the death of his father, D. B. Van Fleit, and over a period of years made the Garrett Telephone Company into one of the best in the state of Indiana for independent telephone companies.

Mr. Van Fleit was president of the Indiana Independent Telephone Association, District 5, in 1955.

Over those years he became the major stockholder in the locally owned company and during recent months he negotiated for the sale of the company to General Telephone Inc. of Stamford, Conn. The final transaction, ironically, was to take place Wednesday.

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